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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

E. P. Weiss was a business caller at this office Saturday.

Mrs. Robert Decker was a business caller at this office Friday.

Mrs. A. J. Haldy paid our office an appreciated call Friday.

FOR A GOOD BOWL OF CHILI TRY THE BOB CAT GRILL. 2tc.

Otto Lindeburg was a business caller at this office Wednesday.

An iceless refrigerator, the Kelvinator. See Hondo Lumber Co. tf.

Hondo Lumber Co. sells the Kelvinator electric refrigerator. tf.

All kinds of fountain drinks at ROTHE'S CONFECTIONERY. tf.

FOR BOTTLE OF GOOD COLD BEER STOP AT THE BOB CAT GRILL. 2tc.

FOR SALE—Several real Jersey cows with heifer calves. C. F. HAASS. 2tpd

Commissioners' Court, with all members present, was in session yesterday.

District Clerk Emil Britsch and abstractor Henry Schulte have both been sick with the flu.

There is considerable sickness, mostly flu, in Hondo, but so far it is not so extensive as to be an epidemic.

FOR SALE—High grade Poled Hereford bull yearlings at different prices. ERNEST A. BENDELE. 3tp

Messrs. Gabe Hans of Castroville and Felix Stinson of Riomedina were business visitors to Hondo yesterday.

Hon. Joe R. Monkhouse has our thanks for an invitation to attend the Inaugural Ball at Austin last Tuesday.

Aug. J. Leinweber was a business caller Friday and took advantage of FARMING'S club rate with the Express.

J. T. HORGER IS AGAIN SHARPENING SAWS, SCISSORS AND RAZORS AT HIS OLD STAND—HORGER'S SHOP. 4t

FOR SALE—Three young mules, coming two and three-year-olds; two broke to work. Apply to A. C. REDLACE, Sabinal, Texas. 2tpd.

Mrs. A. M. Foster, formerly Miss Elsie Neuman of this place, changes her address from Jennings, La., to Greenville, Texas, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Jungman left Saturday for Austin for an indefinite stay during the continuance of the present term of the legislature.

We call attention to the series of articles in this paper entitled, The Way of Salvation", written by Rev. J. T. Horger. They are worth reading.

I have handled many makes of tires. Dayton tires have proved to be the safest, guaranteed eighteen months. C. R. GAINES, wholesale distributor. 2tc

J. B. Ney was over from D'Hanis Tuesday and paid our office an appreciated call. Mr. Ney is one of the subscribers to The Anvil to whom we fell heir with its purchase nearly ... years ago.

IS YOUR INSURANCE MAN, ONE WHO LIVES AMONG YOU; OR ONE JUST PASSING THRU? For Every Form of Insurance See O. H. MILLER, Hondo, Texas, Since 1907.

FOR SALE—Single disc plow, one one 5-drill seeder, hay rake, mowing machine, planter, cultivator, wagon, middle-breaker plow, walking plows and miscellaneous farm items. MRS. PETER WEYNAND. tf.

BOARD WANTED on farm ex-service man 2 miles town or out edge town where could keep few bees north half Atascosa, Frio, Bexar, Medina Counties. Write Edgar L. Griffin, 231 East Myrtle, San Antonio.

By an over-sight there was an error in the announcement of tomorrow night's dance at the Quihi Gun Club hall in our last week's paper. Instead of the Huegele Family Band the Mountain Cowboys will furnish the music.

We were pleased to see Mr. Fritz Weber again looking his normal self last Friday when he was in Hondo on business from his Utopia ranch. Mr. Weber had a long siege of illness, but has greatly improved and gained considerable weight. His friends wish for him a complete recovery.

Mr. Thurman reports the business outlook good at the Hondo Hotel and cafe. A complete renovation of the hotel and all modern comforts and conveniences makes their rooms especially desirable for permannet customers and he is offering special inducements for rooms by the week or longer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beetz, Louis Beetz, Mrs. J. C. Reich and daughter, Mrs. A. G. Moore, and little daughter, Miss Jeannie Moore, were visitors at the Anvil Herald office Tuesday. They had been on the sad mission of attending the funeral of their aunt, the late Mrs. Dominick Huff, at New Fountain.

The flu seems to have had a special spite at the judiciary this week. County Judge Arthur H. Rothe was out of commission the first of the week with it, Judge H. Haass has been sick all week and Judge R. J. Noonan is sick as we go to press. If we had any more County Judges they too might have been sick.

DISTRICT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

District Court opened for the third week of the January 1937 term on Monday, January 18, with the usual officers in attendance.

Following are the petit jurors empaneled for the week: Lee Mangold, A. C. Ihnken, Geo. Kempf, H. J. Franger, Wm. A. Lutz, A. J. Grimsinger, Andrew Martin, Clarence Mumme, Geo. Frey, Pete F. Saathoff, John Hickman, Thomas Weiss, W. G. Muennink, H. H. Decker, John C. Geant, O. A. Slater, Hy. Langfeld, A. N. Langston, John Hutzler, C. J. Ahr, Henry E. Flory, Claude Beck, Arthur Holzhaus, Hy. A. Biry, Fred Jagge, John G. Britsch, Geo. E. Graff, Geo. Blatz, R. C. Blackburn, L. A. Saathoff, W. A. Nehr.

M. L. Clauser, et vir., vs. Robert D. Thompson, injunction. Agreed judgment entered and jury discharged.

Rafail Gonzales vs. Refujia Gonzales, divorce. Divorce granted as per decree, custody of children to defendant, plaintiff required to contribute $5.00 per month for support.

Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties Water Improvement District No. 1 vs. H. M. Fort, suit to collect delinquent taxes. Judgment for plaintiff.

Similar order in a companion case.

Lionisia Salazar Juarez vs. Juan Juarez, divorce granted.

Mrs. Lizzie Wiemers, et vir., vs. Mrs. Rose Stiegler, et al, suit for partition. Agreed order of partition. Henry Frerichs, Julius R. Brucks and A. H. Rothe appointed partitioners.

Ex-Parte Charles Farrer vs. William and Ruby Lois Farrer, writ of Habeas Corpus. Dismissed on motion of relator; costs taxed against relator.

Ex-Parte vs. Rita Jeane Brown, minor, adoption. Decree of adoption as per order entered.

On Thursday, January 21st, the court entered an order granting a leave to file a plea of intervention to W. G. Hecht, W. D. Butler, and J. R. Gans, to be filed not later than January 23, 1937, in the cast of R. J. Taylor vs. Sil Biggerstaff, et al, and set the case for Thursday, January 28th.

Until then the court is at ease.

UVALDE PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION RE-ELECTS OFFICERS.

James Amberson of Hondo was re-elected to a three-year term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Uvalde Production Credit Association at the annual meeting at Uvalde Monday, January 18, 1936. The Association embraces several counties adjacent to Uvalde and has grown from a membership of 86 at the end of 1935 to 118 at the end of 1936. It has assets of $587,867 and has outstanding obigations, including loans to members of $461,000, totaling $473,141, leaving a total net worth of $114,726.

Geo. C. Jolley of Uvalde, Vice-President of the Association, was also re-elected a Director with Mr. Amberson. J. H. Ashby, Jr., President, and R. H. Alvey, Secretary and Treasurer, are the other officers.

Several reports and short addresses by officers and members were made, these being climaxed by a speech by Mr. Lee from the head office at Houston in which he gave a comprehensive and lucid explanation of the entire process of the Association's functioning.

The Managing Editor, who accompanied Mr. Amberson as his guest, noted among members present from this section, besides Mr. Amberson, Messrs. J. R. Chancey, local loan agent, Toby Koch, A. L. Haegein, and W. C. Scott (member of nominating committee) from Hondo; Anton Hardt of Yancey; J. W. Roberson and Hartley Howard (live stock appraiser) of Devine; and Mr. Harkness of Medina Lake.

The meeting was harmonious and instructive and the organization is a long and successful step in America's pioneering in co-operative effort.

HISTORICAL DRAMA COMING.

Inspired by Tennyson's immortal poem of valor, "The Charge of the Light Brigade" is a thrilling historical drama scheduled for the Colonial Theatre Wednesday and Thursday. The story opens in 1850 on the northern border of India, where a powerful chieftan, Surat Khan, makes war on the British when he is informed that his allowance from the government is to be discontinued. Exciting incidents follow, including the massacre of Chukoti and the Crimean War, in which the 27th Lancers, as a unit of the Light Brigade, make their famous charge. The cast includes Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland, Patric Knowles, Henry Stephenson, Nigel Bruce, Donald Crisp and many others.

HOME RELIEF ASSOCIATION CONVENTION.

The annual convention will be held at the W. O. W. hall in Hondo, Texas, at 2:30 P. M., January 30th, 1937. All members are requested to attend.
2tc. H. H. CROW, Secretary-Treasurer.

FOR SALE.

Nice building site (2 lots) just south of new Sinclair Station. tf
DR. O. B. TAYLOR.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS.

Pursuant to the call made at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday night, January 13th, there was a general meeting of all members of the Chamber held at the High School Auditorium Wednesday night, January 20th.

The meeting was presided over by President J. G. Barry who introduced Miss Wilma Spratt and the High School Glee Club, and a pleasing program of vocal and piano selections was rendered.

Following the musical feature of the evening the body got down to an informal discussion of business.

After considerable discussion, it was decided to hold a regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce each second Tuesday night of the month. Dr. T. B. Knopp, Alfred Schweers and N. C. Johnson were appointed as a committee on securing a permanent place for meeting, arranging for a plan of meeting, with a possible merging of the luncheon club with the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce.

On a motion from the floor Prof. J. G. Barry, Judge Arthur H. Rothe, District Attorney R. J. Noonan, Commissioner Alfred A. Bader, and Representative Joe R. Monkhouse were appointed a Highway Committee with a special view to securing concessions from the railroad company for right-of-way and the assistance of the Highway Department in widening Highway 90 through the town of Hondo.

The body adjourned to meet on the evening of the second Tuesday of February at the pace to be announced later by the committee.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

"How often should I go to church?" We assume that one who asks this question implies that he goes to church to worship, not merely to take up space on the pew, or to be entertained or to meet with kin and acquaintances. We take it that he goes to hear the Word of God, and be edified and fed with spiritual thoughts and motives If that is the case, then there can be only one answer: as often as the word is preached, and one is physically able to be there.

The body needs food regularly, and so does the soul. An employer once asked a girl in the office in a rather jocose manner how she had spent the previous night. He knew she lived the right life. "What makes you want to live the way you do?" Her answer was simply: "Because I think right." There you have it, her thoughts were nourished by the Divine Word and directed by God's Spirit. When, figuratively speaking, souls are stumbling along in a spiritual way, it is a sign of lack of the means of grace. We cannot neglect a God-given means of growing in knowledge and grace without harming ourselves thereby. And to those who preach His Word, Jesus gives the encouraging statement: "He that heareth you heareth Me; and he that despiseth you despiseth Me; and he that despiseth Me despiseth Him that sent Me."

Service next Sunday, Jan. 24, German at 10:30; Bible class and Sunday school classes at 9:00 A. M.

English service Sunday, Jan. 31, and Feb. 7 at 10:30 A. M.

Regular mid-week services will be held during Lent, beginning Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 7:45 P. M.

RECENT BRIDE HONORED.

Mrs. Ray Worley of Uvalde, who before her recent marriage was Miss Eleanor Heyen of Hondo, was complimented with a shower and tea Monday afternoon, from 2 to 5 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Fritz Schweers. Hostesses were Mesdames Fritz Schweers, A. J. Schroeder, Minnie Fuos, A. H. Schweers, Clarence Wright of Freer, Horace Schweers, Frank E. Schweers, Wayne Harllee, and Jack Bradley of San Antonio, and Miss Lucille Boon.

The living room was simply arranged with fern and greenery, and against this background Mrs. Fritz Schweers, the honoree, Mrs. Worley, and her mother, Mrs. F. A. Heyen, received the guests. Miss Boon and Mrs. Wright were in charge of the bride's book.

The lovely gifts were on display in an adjoining room, where Mrs. Fuos and Mrs. Schroeder were in charge.

The dining room was softly lighted with pale green lamps and held as center of interest the tea table, which was laid with a handsome Italian cut work cloth. An attractive center arrangement of the table was a white pottery bowl of white geraniums and fern on a mirror plaque and flanked on each side by tall green tapers in white pottery holders. Refreshments consisted of cherry pie with whipped cream, coffee and mints. The remaining members of the house party alternated in serving.

The honoree wore a becoming cape frock of grey wool with paisley blouse and her corsage was of yellow narcissuses. Mrs. Heyen, the honoree's mother, wore a silk print dress of spring floral design and a corsage of red carnations.

YOU TOO WILL FIND IT PAYS.

Gentlemen:

I have leased the N. W. Ward ranch, so you will not run the ad. again.

I had fine results from your service, and will probably patronize you again, from time to time.

Yours very truly,
J. W. FULLERTON.

ANNUAL MEETING MEDINA COUNTY AID SOCIETY.

At the regular meeting held last Saturday afternoon, January 16, 1937, of the Medina County Aid Society the following business was transacted, to-wit: The report of H. V. Haass, Secretary-Treasurer, was read and approved as follows:

General Fund.
(Collections during year 1936.)

Dec. 31, 1935, Balance in General Fund	$ 41.80
Dec. 31, 1936, Collected by 9 Expense Assessments during 1936	$294.40
Total	$336.20
(Disbursements)	
For Post Cards and printing 11 assessment calls during 1936, and commission paid Secretary-Treasurer	$280.68
For Operation Permit to Insurance Department, 1936-37	6.00
For printing blanks and notices as per bills on file	2.43
Dec. 31, 1936, balance in general Fund	$ 47.09
Total	$336.20

Beneficiary Fund.
(Income)

Dec. 31, 1935, Balance in Treasury	$ 416.00
Collected 19 Assessments During 1936	$6,431.00
Total	$6,847.00

Disbursements 1936.
(Paid Out)

For 6 death claims occurring for year 1935	$2,273.00
For 13 death claims occurring during 1936	$4,269.00
Dec. 31, 1936, Cash in treasury benefit fund	305.00
Total	$6,847.00

A motion was made, seconded and carried that Secretary be instructed to get permission from the Deptartment of Insurance that hereafter applications for membership in Medina County Aid Society be taken from the ages of 16 to 59 years inclusive. Also a motion was made, seconded and carried that a maximum certficate for $500.00 be issued to each member (in place of the old certificate of $1000) and $1.00 be paid per member to a beneficiary as long as the membership is below the 500 membership mark, upon approval of the Department.

The old board of Directors and officers were re-elected for the year 1937.

There being no further business motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
H. V. HAASS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

RESETTLEMENT WORK IN MEDINA COUNTY.

Dallas, Jan. 20, 1937.—Medina County farmers aided by the Resettlement Administration are making notable progress in their "live-at-home" program, it was stated here today by D. P. Trent, regional director of the Resettlement Administration, after examining the annual report for this county made by C. W. Price, rural supervisor.

Out of the 134 families receiving loans in Medina County, 110 were reported as having grown sufficient vegetables for their use the past year. One hundred and thirty were reported as having sufficient poultry, 95 as having sufficient milk and butter from their own cows, and 95 as making cheese. More than 11,000 quarts of vegetables and fruit were put up by these families, and 1,675 pounds of meat were stored.

Although practically all of these families were farm tenants, rather than owners, they improved their temporary homesteads by planting 37 shrubs, finished the walls in 6 houses. They made 25 mattresses and renovated 36 mattresses, made 32 quilts and renovated 42.

Mr. Price's report was made jointly with Myrtie K. Montgomery, rural supervisor of home management plans for Medina County.

Loans totaling $43,478 were made by Resettlement Administration to 134 families in Medina County during 1936. Most of the amount loaned was expended for teams, tools and other so-called "recoverable" goods, the remainder being spent for consumable supplies such as food, clothing, medicine, food, etc. Forty-five per cent of the amount loaned has already been repaid, although the loans were made to run from one to five years. Average repayments for the state were 26 per cent.

Twenty-four Medina County borrowers have repaid their loans in full and only 9 made no repayment. The average borrower received a loan of $324.46 and has repaid $145.04.

MARRIED HERE.

Miss Mary Alyce McNeill and Mr. David Cook, both of Three Rivers, Texas, were married at the Methodist parsonage in Hondo Saturday night, January 16, 1937, at 8:25 o'clock. Rev. W. S. Highsmith, pastor, performed the ceremonyy. Misses Bernice Chancey and Genevieve Brucks of Hondo and Mr. Paul Humphrey of Three Rivers were the witnesses.

The bride wore a blue travel suit with grey accessories and her corsage was of white gardenias.

The young couple are friends of Miss Chancey who has visited in Three Rivers on several occasions.

They will make their home in that city.

QUIHI NOTES.

And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped the Lord. Gen. 24:26.

Veni, vidi, vici (I came and saw and won), was the triumphant message of Caesar after a gallant victory; another leader, looking over his followers, boasted, Arm in arm with you, I challenge my whole century; and still another made the honest confession, Another victory like today, and the war is—lost. David, the king, after his enemies were subdued, proudly arranged for a census, a conceited mustering up of his forces; the Roman kings had the public wellpipes and fountains spout wine during a fortnight for the thirsty populace after every victory; other kings had the church bells ring out the glad news; today, while dripping thousands shouted themselves warm and dozens of bands turned loose their best and their noisiest marches to electrify and cheer the masses and the conspicuous uniformed representatives of the world, the central figure in this inauguration fete, the president, with his family went into seclusion to the church where they worshipped, away from the noisy acclaim. Was it sheer form? Was his heart flowing over? Did he bow down his head in gratitude to Him Who swayeth the hearts? At Nahor stood another one in like mood, perhaps with less cause for jubilation and far away from the highway of society and the momentous affairs and events of life, but fully conscious of benefits received and the sincerity of his thanks in true proportion to the sincerity of his plea for success. Our pleas are usually louder and longer than our acknowledgements and thanks. It's difficult to understand why many, in important matters, rather trust in chuck-luck, blind chance, fickle hunches and instincts than in a wise and merciful God; more difficult it is to understand, where prayers go heavenward, why one should get drunk with success and rest on his laurels and the still small voice of gratitude to God does not stir a leaf. My soul does magnify the Lord, says gratitude; the ingrate tries to magnify his poor little self.

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Wesley Reitzer is among the invalids and nursing an injury that may keep him out of commission for a while, and all this due to a contrary beast of burden. We trust to see him again in the rank and file of his working crew before long.

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The weather is still quite abnormal all over the country, heavy rains and threatening floods after heavy snow flurries with freezing temperature reaching far south. Bad weather, some even apply hard and harsh terms to the situation. No, we have no reason at all to lose our temper over it and go around pouting with the Lord, though a few inconveniences may arise, forcing a change of schedules and daily chores. So we took it with calmness when last Sunday brought out only a thin crowd to the service and the evening program. Undauntedly we went ahead and the evening featured as well as ever, crowd or no crowd, and we are glad of it. And please look over the assignments for next time: Recitations, the Misses Crystal Boehle, Ida Balzen; select readings, Mrs. Ida Mumme, Mrs. Wm. Schuehle; vocal selections, Mrs. Ehme Saathoff, Mrs. Alfred Boehle; instrumental number, Mrs. Frank Boehle. Your service is not in vain. The sick-committee is completed. Mrs. Alfred Boehle has kindly consented to hold the office another term; Miss Florence Grell volunteered to be the second member. Thanks a lot.

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Announcements for January the 24th: Service at New Fountain at 10; annual meeting after the service; Sunday school and Junior Bible class at 9:30; English evening service at 7 P. M. Remember the Lord's day.

QUIHI-NEW FOUNTAIN HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

"A 23-inch pit is needed for the construction of an ideal hotbed," said the Medina County Home Demonstration agent, as the hotbed was being made at the home of Mrs. Robert Riff, the Quihi-New Fountain Home Demonstratoin Club pantry demonstrator, on January 14.

This pit was filled with manure within 4 or 5 inches of the surrounding ground level and was trampled down well. It was then filled with soil composed of equal parts of rotted manure and loam soil.

The sash or cover should then be put on the frame and the temperature allowed to rise to over 100 degrees F. during the next few days. No seed should be sown in the hotbed until temperature drops to about 90 degress F. Keep a thermometer in the hotbed at all times.

The next meeting of this club will be January 28, 1937, at the home of Mrs. Arnold Balzen.

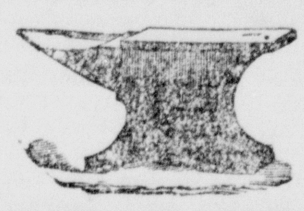
Reporter.

MALE HELP WANTED.

Steady work—good pay. Reliable man wanted to call on farmers in County. Make up to $12 a day. Write McNESS CO., Dept. S, Freeport, Illinois. 1tpd.

FOR SALE.

Four young real Jersey cows with heifer baby calves. Fifty dollars up.
C. F. HAASS,
2tpd. Hondo, Texas.



SPARKS

Being News, Views and Reviews
By the
MANAGING EDITOR.

THE LEGISLATIVE MILL.

By Clayton Rand.

Congress and numerous legislatures are grinding out new laws to save the country. We've just about run out of schemes to get rich without working and with prosperity at last havng negotiated that difficult corner our law-makers may be short on new ideas.

Had your scribe any influence he would get a law enacted to make the necks of ketchup bottles larger, also the tops of cocktail glasses. Little glasses in which tomato juice is served are pretty tough on men with normal noses.

Also maybe something ought to be done about doing away with these curtain cords that are always getting caught in the ends of shades.

And if we can't make two chickens in every pot compulsory what's the matter with passing a law about making all bathroom fixtures double? There's a lot yet to be done for the country.

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SUPREME COURT PROTECTS MINORITIES.

Proposals to limit or abrogate the powers of review of the Supreme Court of the United States have been made often in late years—and, for the most part, have come from representatives of radical organizations.

This is an ironical situation when the Supreme Court is the foremost protector of the rights and liberties of radicals or conservatives, as well as all others. Case after case could be cited in support of this.

A recent action is in point. A Portland, Oregon, Communist, Dirk DeJonge, was arrested at a Communist-sponsored meeting, convicted and sentenced to a long prison term and a heavy fine under Oregon's war-born criminal syndicalism law. The case was appealed through the state courts, which held the law Constitutional.

Then an appeal was taken to the United States Supreme Court. And on January 4, in a unanimous decision read by Chief Justice Hughes, the Court set aside the sentence and held that the Oregon law, as applied in this case, was repugnant to the due process clause of the Constitution—the clause which protects the rights of free speech and assemblage. It is now believed that this decision will strongly and favorably affect the cases of other radicals convicted under the Oregon act.

Thus the Supreme Court uses its power and prestige to maintain the Constitutional rights of radicals who would destroy it! The Supreme Court has always been a fearless defender of civil rights—freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of assemby—and especially the rights of minorities. Being immune to politics and to pressure of any kind, it can and does resist the hysteria of the moment so that the Constitution, in spirit as well as word, may be preserved, and America may remain a free nation.—Industrial News Review.

THE FARMER MUST FEED US ALL.

Political fortunes are made or broken according to the whims of popular fancy for the moment.

Elections such as ours on November 3rd may even settle some political issues or, on the contrary, it may create new ones.

Of a certainty, there always remain issues to provoke a difference of opinion where there are minds capable of functioning in thought and forming judgments.

Parties are, therefore, creatures of the time and occasion; and he is indeed shallow minded who thinks the result of an election will solve all his problems.

This is especially true of the great basic industry of farming.

Granting that an unwise and profligate government can sap an agriculture of its vitality; on the other hand, no government, however beneficent or well intentioned, can do it all for the farmer.

There still remains, despite all the dreams and schemes of the dreamers or the fulminations of the demagogues, the seed time and the harvest.

The farmer must feed us all.

And out of mother earth must be

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FIRES AND THE RANGE.

By Observer.

This fall and winter will see hundreds of thousands of acres of timber and cut-over timber land burned over, to the detriment of the cattle raiser and to the present and future welfare of timber users. Of these timber fires, over ten per cent will have been wilfully set out by people with the mistaken idea that burning over timber lands is the "cure all" for all range problems, boll weevils, cattle ticks, mosquitoes, sickness and what not. The other ninety per cent will be the result of carelessness or perhaps a very few will be caused by lightning.

In the past thirty years, many thousands of acres of timber lands in Texas have been burned over and reburned. If, as many people believe, burning over timberland was promoting the interest of the cattle grower and the farmer, East Texas should today be the most prosperous place on earth. Instead it has been proven conclusively that woods burning is one of the most costly, devastating mistakes of this generation that our children will have to suffer for in the future through the lack of timber resources, impoverished ranges, and dwindling game and fish supply.

Texas farmers and stockmen fully realize the importance of a good fall and winter range for the economical production of beef and dairy cattle.

There was a time in the past when East Texas was especially fortunate in having large areas covered in switch cane which provided an abundance of succulent winter feed in the wastelands along the river and creek bottoms. Today the area formerly covered by this valuable reed has, due to repeated fires, dwindled to where its value is negligible compared to its past importance as a winter pasture.

The wild forage plants and grasses having the greatest nutritive value and producing the best range feed are usually annuals or perennials with a shallow root system. Some of these are plants that spread by creepers that grow on top of the soil and take root. Others produce seed for next year's crop while some propagate by both methods. It is very easy to see how even a very light fire will destroy the most valuable forage plants by destroying the seed and tender creepers. Today the most valuable forest grasses and plants have almost been destroyed in some sections of Texas, especially East Texas. These include bermuda, rescue and carpet grasses, and lespedeza and burr clovers.

Fall and winter fires destroy the seeds for next year's crop and by scorching and burning the tender root creepers, kill out those plants and grasses which reproduce by that method. Fires in the fall and winter also destroy the dry forage ready for winter feed thus necessitating earlier winter yard feeding. During severe winter months, stock on burned over land often suffer severely and the loss may be heavy if the stock is dependent upon the scanty growth left after a fire.

Fall and winter fires destroy the green grass that has continued to grow to some extent under the protective mat of grass and leaves. Many cattle can winter on the dead grass or "rough" mixed with the small amount of green grass found under the mat but after a forest fire this is all destroyed. This necessitates early winter feeding. In the spring following a forest fire, the grass rises late due to the fact that the covering which protects the tender young grass shoots from the late frosts, is gone. This requires longer yard feeding to offset the insufficient supply of forage in the forests. Thus a destructive forest fire shortens the grazing period and lengthens the period when the cattle must be yard and stall fed.

Following a severe forest fire, only those grasses which have a strong deep root system are left on the ground. These are usually grasses which have a stool to protect the roots of the plants and consists mostly of sedge and wire grasses. Sedge and wire grass furnish good grazing in the early spring and summer but in June and July it matures and seeds. From then on it is tough, woody and unpalatable and of little value as a forage grass. Because of their ability to withstand forest fires, they are steadily replacing the better forage plants that are unable to withstand the repeated burning of the forests.

It is not surprising that today our forest ranges are poorer than in the early days of stock raising and unless destructive forest fires are curbed, the day will soon be here when the forests cannot be depended upon at all as a source of income through grazing profits for the stock raiser and the farmer.

BETTER FARM ANIMALS—OR JUST MORE PUREBREDS?

Livestock breeding in the United States may be—genetically speaking—at the crossroads. It may continue simply to increase the number of purebreds, or it may turn sharply toward improving the breeds themselves. A survey by the Department of Agriculture shows animal breeding has not kept pace with plant breeding in developing, cataloging, and perpetuating superior germ plasm.

The reasons are apparent. An animal is a more complex organism than a plant. With larger animals reproduction is much less rapid than with plants. The geneticist works with much smaller numbers. Effects of environment are difficult to separate from effects of inheritance. And self-fertilization, which simplifies breeding of improved plants, is out of the picture with animals. The difficulties are real, but, many scientists believe, not insurmountable.

There already are practical "yardsticks" for measuring production, such as milk records for dairy cows, speed records for horses, and egg records for hens. Methods of determining quality and quantity of production in meat animals are less definite and need improvement.

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Honeymoon Mountain

By FRANCES SHELLEY WEES

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Pilar straightened. "I see," she said, and then, "The day I came, Tubby dragged me away and threatened me with murder if I called Bryn by anything but Graham. The man you were to marry is named Graham?"

"Yes."

"Your grandmother thinks Bryn is the man?"

"Yes."

"And what happens next?"

There was a queer note in her voice, and Deborah looked up quickly. But Pilar's face had not changed, and Deborah's eyes fell again. "Nothing," she said. "We have to go on until the end of the year, or I do not get the money. The marriage must last for a year. And it must go on for Grandmother's sake, anyway, for that long. After that . . . I don't know what we shall do to explain to Grandmother, but there will be something. Bryn will be free, then, of course."

"You cannot get the money within a year?"

"If the marriage is not successful to that extent," Deborah explained carefully, "I do not get it at all."

"Your grandmother seems very fond of Bryn."

"She loves him," Deborah said, with a little catch in her breath. "He is wonderful to her. Even if the estate were not so tied, I don't see how we could be . . . divorced . . . before that time without breaking Grandmother's heart."

Pilar turned the ivory holder between her long browned fingers. "It

"But I Think You Are Being Insulting."

seems rather a long time out of Bryn's life," she said. "A year."

"I know."

"I should think there might have been somebody else, Deborah. Somebody you might have paid for his name and his lost year."

Deborah looked up again, but did not speak. Pilar was watching her. After a moment she said, "Of course, it's all very romantic, and you are really quite pretty. Any man would like to be the prince who awakens the sleeping beauty."

Deborah's eyes flew to the long oval of Pilar's face. Her own cheeks crimsoned furiously, and her eyes flashed.

"I don't know quite what you are suggesting," she said icily, "but I think you are being insulting."

"Not at all," Pilar replied. "I am merely trying to discover Bryn's reason for this quixotic gesture. It certainly cannot be that he is willing to spend a year with you for your platonic companionship, Deborah. Obviously, you are not suited to be a companion to him. You have not the sophistication, the knowledge of his world. You scarcely speak his language. You say he does not love you; I think that would be impossible, too. There must be companionship in real love, an equality. But I think I do begin to see his reason. There you were, beauty in distress . . . and Bryn was always fond of a new adventure. Something new, something nobody has ever done before. Yes, it becomes quite clear to me. And he would get considerable enjoyment out of this play-acting to your grandmother, this pretense of being simple and bucolic, this pretense of loving you. It is rather an interesting situation, as I must admit."

Deborah was staring at her. "I don't think I care to discuss it any further," she said quietly, "if you don't mind, Pilar."

"There isn't much more to say, is there? Except that I suppose I ought to thank you for explaining it to me, Deborah. I have been . . . troubled. You can understand."

Deborah folded her linen. "Yes," she said.

"Bryn is very difficult," Pilar sighed. "I think this has been the worst fright he has given me. But once, two years ago, I was nearly mad, too. He was in Thibet, and I didn't hear from him for nearly six months. It was reported that he was dead. Of course, he wasn't, nor lost either. He was just living in a native tribe, living like a native, to get the atmosphere, he said. He's wildly interested in people, different kinds of people, the farther from his own kind, the better. But he always comes back in the end, I have discovered that. And when he came back from Thibet," she said with a smile, "he brought me my ring. This ruby. Isn't it a beauty?"

The ruby flashed and glowed on her finger as she held it out for Deborah to see. "It is very lovely," Deborah said gently.

Gary tapped on the door-casing. "Miss Deborah, please," he said. "Mr. Bryn would like a dry pair of shoes. Might I go through and get them?"

"Certainly, Gary."

With a little half bow to Pilar he sidled past her and opened the door on the left. He pushed it back and left it open as he went in, and Pilar, glancing through, saw the narrow white bed against the other wall. She turned deliberately and looked at Deborah's closed bedroom door, and then, with a deep breath, she looked at Deborah and smiled.

"It's all very romantic, isn't it?" she said, and went swiftly across to the hall door. "Thank you for telling me, Deborah. It makes rather a difference."

Bryn had been over in the stable talking to Joe, who came to milk every evening as punctually as sunset.

As he approached the bridge his eyes caught the flutter of a skirt, and his heart turned a complete double somersault. If he had been in any need of proof as to his emotional condition, he had it then. But the skirt did not belong to Deborah; it was much too sophisticated a skirt for that, as he saw at second glance, and his heart settled down sadly into a recumbent position again, and he went forward without interest to meet Pilar.

She was standing in the middle of the bridge, leaning over the railing to look into the water. Bryn stopped beside her, put his elbows on the railing, and gazed down into the brook, too, without a word. Pilar turned, after a moment, and smiled at him; the flashing brilliant smile that was peculiarly her own, that no one else could duplicate. "You know," she said, "I don't blame you for burying yourself away up here, Bryn. It's so far back in Nature that I don't suppose you've ever had quite the same experience before, have you?"

Bryn glanced down at her. Her black eyes, liquid and melting, met his. Her lips were very red.

"No," he replied. "Never."

There was a little silence. They stood together, elbows touching. After a moment Pilar said softly, "Deborah told me her story today."

"Deborah?" he repeated.

"She seemed to think I ought to be told, Bryn."

"Oh."

The black eyes opened wide again. "Had you . . . talked to her about me?"

"Never," Bryn said promptly.

"Oh," Pilar murmured. "I had an idea you had, perhaps. She certainly knew that we had been friends for a long time. Of course, that may be obvious. Whatever she knew, she wanted me to understand just what the situation was between you. Dear quaint little thing! She is such a child, isn't she?"

"Is she?"

"So naive. I was quite touched."

"What did she say the . . . situation was between us, then?"

"Why, simply that this wasn't, as all of us thought, a love match after all. That it was simply a marriage de convenance. I don't quite know why you, of all people, Bryn, had to tangle yourself in it. You may have difficulty in getting free again."

"So she told you we weren't in love with each other?"

"Yes, quite without restraint. It seems rather queer that a girl could be so absolutely cool and businesslike about her marriage, even if it were this kind of marriage. But of course it is not in the least romantic to her, and does not affect her emotions at all, so why should she be anything but businesslike? Do you really mean to stay here for a whole year?" she asked with a sigh. "Is it really necessary?"

"Yes."

"Grandmother's no fool. She's a good deal sharper than you think, Bryn."

"What do you mean?"

"I don't think you're fooling her for a minute. She knows you and the girl aren't living together as man and wife. She must know it. Anybody can see it with half an eye."

"Can they? How?"

"By that child's face, of course."

"I see," Bryn said quietly.

Pilar put her hand on his arm. "Tell her," she begged. "Go and have a talk with the old lady Bryn, and tell her the truth."

"Why?"

"I do think it is too much for them to ask you to sacrifice your life for a whole year to an old lady's whim. She wouldn't die, Bryn. I tell you she is a lot stronger than you think she is, and a lot sharper."

Bryn laughed. To Pilar it was not exactly a pleasant laugh, and she winced a little as she heard it. "I'm not sacrificing my life," he said.

"What do you mean?" she asked, sharply.

"Leaving here would be sacrificing my life, Pilar. Don't you understand? I care more for Grandmother's left eyebrow than I do for everybody I ever knew before, and as for Deborah . . ."

"As for Deborah?"

"Well," Bryn said at last, "upon racking my brains, I can't think of anything in the world that you could put in the scales to balance Deborah that would push them down a feather's weight."

"Are you trying to tell me that you're in love with her?"

"That is my general idea."

Pilar was cold, motionless, her hands clenched around the railing. After a long time she said, "Have you told her so?"

"She doesn't give me a chance."

She came a step closer. "Listen Bryn," she said, under her breath. "Listen . . . you're bewitched. You're mad. You can't marry Deborah. You can't do it."

"I can," Bryn said happily. "I have."

She made a despairing gesture. "I mean . . . a real marriage. Why, she'd drive you crazy, Bryn! She'd drive you mad. What does she know about life, or the world, or any kind of culture? She has no sophistication, she has no polish. She's nothing but an ignorant child, pretty, I grant you, but as insipid as . . . as brook water. In two years—in five years, what are you going to have for a wife? There's nothing there, Bryn. Don't be carried away by a pretty face. You need intelligence, you need companionship, you need a wife who is your equal, who understands your position in the world and can help you carry it off."

(To be continued)

FORAGE CROPS FOR HOGS.

By V. M. Couch.

There has been important changes made in the methods of growing hogs during the past ten or twelve years. The old plan of growing pigs without the use of forage crops has been changed to a more efficient and modern method of producing pork. The latter method is equally successful with hogs of all ages. These new methods were brought about largely through a better understanding of the body needs of the hog and as the result of the experimental work done in swine feeding and management.

The greatest advantage in forage crops for pork production lies in the fact that it requires less grain to produce a given amount of weight when forage crops are used, as compared to all-grain feeding. There is less danger from disease, as the pigs are more resistant because of their being in a more thrifty condition, which results in higher daily gains.

The kind of forage crop to grow depends upon the time of the year and the location or section of the country. Crops that are most popular can, as a rule, be grown in any of the hog-growing sections of the country. It is best to produce crops that are seasonable and plan them in such order that the maximum length of pasture season can be had.

Leguminous crops are the most desirable and profitable to use whenever they will fit in a rotation or can be had as a permanent pasture. It may be best in some cases to depend entirely upon either permanent or annual crops or a combination of the two. The objection to depending upon permanent crops is the danger of a shortage at some time during the growing season. If annual crops are used it is essential to set aside a certain piece of ground which may be arranged so as to allow for a rotation or successive pasturage during the summer.

A common rotation is one made up of rye for an early spring crop. While the value of rye for forage does not rank high, it is a crop that will supply the first green feed in the spring. Rye is a rapid grower and should be followed by one that can be put in early. A good combination is field peas, rape and oats for early spring sowing.

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A path lured me into the hills today
Where beauty reigned, and all was blithe and gay.
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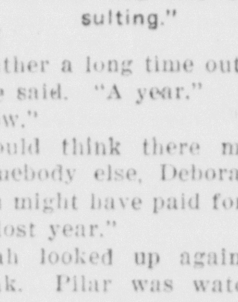

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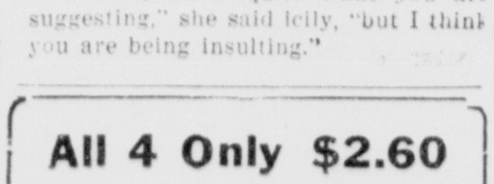

THE FARM DINNER BELL.

Oh sing not to me of the chimes in the steeples,
And the melodies rich swelling forth from their throats;
Or the glorious visions that wedding-bells waken
As the air brighter glows with the charm of their notes.

I sing not the bells swaying high in their towers,
Booming forth their grand tones high aloft in the air;
I sing of the bells with a far humbler station,
Content the hard lot of the lab'rer to share.

And what are the joys which the church bells awaken,
To the rapture which thrills every farmer's bold breast
When the dinner-bell tells that a feast now awaits him,
And with it, that balm to the weary—a rest?

O dinner-bell, flinging thy harsh notes about thee,
Thy sharp, jangling discord sounds sweet to my ear,
As it bids me now take from my labors a respite,
And taste the full joys of a farm-table's cheer.

So, others may sing of the bells of the city,
Or school-bells that echo o'er mountain and lea;
But not all their chiming hath power to charm me—
O dinner-bell, ever I'll rally to thee!

—GEO. C. ALBORN.

SOD STRIPS EXCELLENT FOR TERRACE OUTLETS.

Strips of meadow—20 to 60 feet in width—are proving highly satisfactory as channel outlets for terraces in natural draws or depressions, according to reports from farmers to the Soil Conservation Service. They may be sodded with adapted legumes or grasses that often produce worthwhile crops. Hay was cut on one such meadow outlet near Spartanburg, S. C., last year at the rate of nearly 2 tons per acre.

These well-sodded outlets allow water to flow from behind terraces without the formation of gullies, they are inexpensive—the cost is about one-third that of masonry structures—and are easily crossed with machinery.

Among the difficulties which may be encountered, however, in using sod for terrace outlets are: Natural depressions are not always present, the channel should not be used until the sod is well established, such strips are not likely to be successful on slopes greater than 8 or 9 per cent, and a good topsoil—necessary for the best sod—sometimes is not found where terrace outlets must be made.

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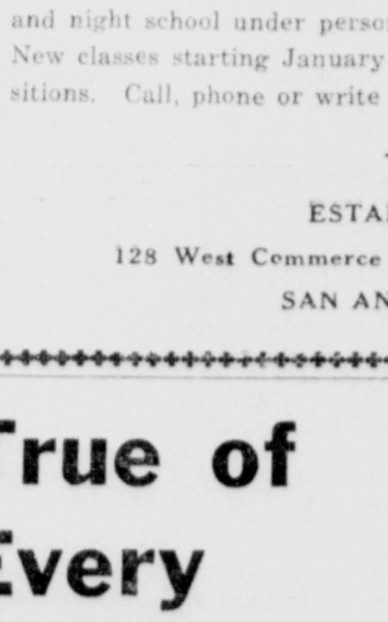

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News Review of Current Events the World Over

Truce Is Called in the General Motors Strike—President's Reorganization Program Criticized—Kidnaped Tacoma Boy Is Found Murdered.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

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THROUGH the efforts of Governor Murphy of Michigan a truce in the General Motors strike was arranged, and the prospects for peaceful settlement of the trouble were bright. The governor persuaded Executive Vice President William S. Knudsen of the corporation and President Homer Martin of the United Automobile Workers union to meet in his office in Lansing. The conference lasted more than 15 hours and at its conclusion the truce was announced.

William S. Knudsen

The essence of the agreement was that the union would at once withdraw the sit-down strikers from the General Motors plants in Flint, Detroit and Anderson, Ind., and that the corporation would not remove from the plant any machinery or dies and would not attempt to resume production in those plants for at least 15 days from the date of commencement of negotiations. The joint conferences for a final settlement of the points at issue were to begin in Detroit January 18.

Mr. Knudsen said "Negotiations will be conducted frankly and every effort will be made to bring about a speedy settlement."

Mr. Martin asserted "The union will in good faith endeavor to arrive at a speedy settlement."

Governor Murphy announced that National Guardsmen now in Flint, following an outbreak of rioting at a General Motors plant there, would remain temporarily "but I don't consider this necessary."

The agreement on the armistice came as good news to thousands of idle automotive workers, and other thousands threatened with temporary loss of jobs. At least 115,000 men are now idle, and that many more faced the same situation.

SOME 400 representatives of the five railroad brotherhoods gathered in Chicago to discuss plans for obtaining increases of wages. A committee recommended that formal demands for higher pay be made, but said it had not yet decided on the procedure or the amount of increase to be asked.

J. A. Phillips, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, said that while the committee had agreed that a wage increase should be sought, there had been no consideration of hours of work, pensions or any other matter.

The other four unions represented at the meeting were the Brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers, Railroad Trainmen, Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, and the Switchmen's Union of North America. The five groups, which represent the train service classifications of railway employees, are acting independently of the other 16 standard railroad brotherhoods.

PLANS for reorganizing the administrative branch of the government were laid before congress by President Roosevelt, and many Democrats as well as the few Republican members were quick to express their disapproval of parts of the scheme. It would greatly enhance the power of the executive, would abolish no federal agencies and would not result in any considerable economy of expenditures. Special committees of both houses were to begin drafting a bill to carry out the President's desires, but it was freely predicted that not all of them would get through.

Louis Brownlow

Louis Brownlow, Prof. Luther Gulick and Prof. Charles Merriam constituted the committee that evolved the reorganization plan for the President. The major changes they recommended are:

Creation of two new departments headed by cabinet members—a department of social welfare and a department of public works—and delegation to the President of authority to "overhaul the 100 independent agencies, administrations, authorities, boards, and commissions and place them by executive order" in the ten existing and two proposed additional departments.

Expansion of the White House staff, chiefly by the creation of six "assistants to the President," who would relieve him of much of the routine executive work.

Abolition of the office of controller general with his power to disallow administrative expenditures in advance as violative of law, and creation instead of an auditor general with power limited to reporting annually to congress illegal and wasteful expenditures by the executive branch.

Extension of the merit system to "cover practically all non-policy determining posts," replacement of the civil service commission by a civil service administrator with a "citizen board to serve as the watch dog of the merit system," and increase of salaries to key positions to attract superior ability to a career service.

Development of the "managerial agencies of the government," particularly the budget bureau and agencies engaged in efficiency research, personnel questions, and long range planning of the use of land, water, and other natural resources.

Opposition to the first, third and fourth of these sections was pronounced and it seems certain that introduction of the bill will start a long and stubborn fight in congress.

TEN-year-old Charles Mattson, kidnaped from his home in Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 27 and held for ransom, was found beaten to death in snow covered woods near Everett. The body was nude and cruelly battered. State and city police and department of justice agents, who had been held back to give the lad's father a chance to pay the ransom and save his son, immediately began an intensive manhunt.

One suspect was arrested in San Francisco and others were being traced. A car in which it was believed the lad's body was carried was found.

President Roosevelt expressed the horror of the nation over this brutal crime and authorized a reward of $10,000 for the capture of the kidnaper and murderer. Bernar McFadden added $1,000 to this amount.

THE latest general European war scare has subsided. It was caused by France's announced determination to stop, by force if necessary, the alleged infiltration of German troops into Spanish Morocco, and Great Britain was ready to support the French with its fleet. But Hitler and his ambassador to France were able to convince the nations that the stories were false and that Germany has no intention of trying to grab any Spanish territory. Paris cooled down at once, and to add to the peace atmosphere, negotiations were started for a trade treaty between France and Germany.

Gen. Goering

Then, too, Col. Gen. Hermann Wilhelm Goering, resplendent first minister of the German reich, went on an official visit to Rome and was informed by Mussolini that the recently signed Italo-British Mediterranean agreement does not change Italy's friendship for Germany or its collaboration with the reich on the major problems of Europe. Goering and Mussolini were supposed to get together on the future course of their governments concerning the Spanish civil war.

LOSING the radio beam in foggy weather, Pilot W. W. Lewis pancaked his Western Air Express plane with a crash on a hill near Burbank, Calif., and two of his passengers were killed. Everyone else on the plane, eleven in number, was injured. The dead are Martin Johnson, famous explorer, and James A. Braden of Cleveland. Mrs. Osa Johnson, who accompanied her husband on his adventurous expeditions in Africa and Borneo, was among those most seriously hurt.

There will be searching inquiries into this and other recent air disasters. Senator Copeland of New York blames the Department of Commerce. Airline operators have long complained that certain radio beam stations in the Far West are inadequate. Officials of the bureau of air navigation deny this, asserting: "Radio beams sometimes play queer pranks in certain areas and in certain mountainous territories. Every pilot knows these peculiarities."

Down in Mexico there were three airplane crashes within a week, and it was believed eleven persons had lost their lives.

IT IS pleasant to turn from politics, strikes and war and record the fact that Charles Hayden, New York banker who died recently, left about $45,000,000 to establish a foundation for the education of needy boys and young men, "especially in the advancement of their moral, mental and physical well being." Mr. Hayden, who was a bachelor, also gave $1,000,000 to Massachusetts Institute of Technology, $2,000,000 in trust to his brother and nearly $2,000,000 to friends and employees.

Washington Digest

National Topics Interpreted By WILLIAM BRUCKART

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Plane Embargo

Washington.—If the first legislative act of the new congress is to measure its efficiency and its value as the policy making branch of our government, there is no other conclusion than that our legislative body has sunk to a new low in its history. Of course, congress should not be judged by the mess it made in rushing through a resolution barring further shipment of airplanes and engines to Spain but on every side I hear criticism of the lack of common sense used in that instance.

To recall some of the details, when congress convened there was a wild and surging wave demanding that the United States remain neutral and avoid entanglement in the Spanish crisis. Everywhere and on a million tongues was heard the cry that the United States should take no chances; it should take all of the stitches in time that are necessary to make certain that we will not get involved in a circumstance on European soil that threatens to become another 1914.

It has been and is quite evident that the people of the United States are committed to a policy of peace, a policy of neutrality. European developments have proceeded so slowly that even the merest tyro has foreseen the ultimate clash between communism and fascism about which I wrote in these columns some weeks ago. In other words, the European situation has developed after a manner that would enable preventative plans to be laid on this side of the Atlantic ocean.

But congress, in attempting to insure our neutrality, did probably the most unneutral thing it could have done. In so doing, I believe the consensus is that both house and senate demonstrated again the inability characterizing congresses of the last few years to appraise a complete picture. It yielded to what it believed to be the public demand giving thought to the future.

Let us analyze briefly what happened. The congress convened, as I have said, with an almost unanimous demand from the country for a definite and workable neutrality policy. It convened with two or three individual business units seeking to deliver shipments of airplanes and engines to the so-called loyalist troops in Spain. The exporters of these war material sensed quick action by congress that would destroy their contracts. Naturally, they put on all speed to get the planes and engines out of this country ahead of an embargo. Congress, like so many boys in a college football match, fell into the spirit of competition, a race.

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Beats 'Em to It

Well, the answer is that Robert Cuse succeeded in getting his planes and engines on board ship and away from New York and beat in the race by twelve hours, a fact which congressional leaders knew when they enacted the resolution of embargo.

So, it appears to be almost inexcusable that men of brains should have rushed a piece of legislation on through its channels containing an entire absence of neutrality in its very language.

The resolution that was to prevent Mr. Cuse and several others from shipping airplanes and engines to Spain not only laid down the embargo which was its purpose but it laid down that embargo specifically against Spain.

Now, to those not versed in international law, it may not be immediately evident how dangerous such a precedent is. International law requires (and it is accepted everywhere among all nations) that there shall be no discrimination among nations unless those nations are declared to be belligerents. Spain has not been so declared. The war in Spain is a civil war insofar as it relates to any other nation officially. Of course, it is a well known fact that troops from communist Russia and nearly-communist France are helping the so-called loyalist government in Spain. It is equally well known that fascist troops from Nazi Germany and fascist Italy are supporting the rebel liberal General Franco in Spain. These facts would seem to make the war in Spain something more than a civil war, which, indeed, it is, but as far as the United States is officially concerned, the war in Spain remains civil strife. And yet our congress in the worst display of low grade intelligence witnessed in a long time, specifically places Spain in the category of a nation at war with another nation and says in a statute that certain commodities may not be shipped to that nation.

To state this problem another way, it would have been exceedingly simple to have made the legislation apply to all nations and thereby to avoid embarrassment.

There was time after the race with Mr. Cuse was lost to have made the correction of a mistake which should never have been made in the first place. But congressional leaders were swept overboard by the big wave and as far as I am concerned have demonstrated again their lack of ability to keep their feet on the ground.

I do not know what it presages in the way of future legislation. It may be that after the excitement has died down, congress will again debate legislation and work out proper laws but the start certainly has been inauspicious.

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Some Differences

Attention ought to be called just here to the differences that have arisen and promise to cause difficulties between the executive branch of the government and some of the legislators. Mr. Roosevelt, as President, seems to feel that he should have plenty of power to deal with problems like the Spanish situation and export of arms without consulting congress. A good many New Deal Leaders in congress feel the same way. But there are many who disagree with that idea. There is pronounced sentiment at the Capitol in favor of legislation that would definitely prohibit the exporting of arms and munitions of war but including definitions and guide lines for those in the executive branch of the government to enforce.

It is too early yet to tell what form the permanent legislation will take because of the circumstances just outlined. With the top heavy New Deal majority in congress, it would seem the better guess to predict that Mr. Roosevelt will have his way but on the other hand, until such an issue becomes clear cut one cannot tell very far in advance how the two schools of thought will solve their problem and whether the United States will be committed further to the one man control that would necessarily result from granting additional descretionary power to the President in a matter of this kind.

There seems to be no doubt anywhere that sooner or later one of the nations whose troops is participating in the Spanish civil strife will commit an overact, an act of war. Some hot-headed individual in command of a ship or an airplane or troops guarding a border will take a pot shot that will wipe out a life or two and wipe out peace at the same time just as occurred when the comparatively insignificant Austrian Archduke was shot in 1914. There can be no question that the United States must follow an international policy under these circumstances that is most cautious.

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Tugwell's Last Act

Dr. Rexford Guy Tugwell, the famous dreaming brain truster No. 1 of the Roosevelt administration, has returned to private life — to an executive position with a molasses firm. Before he left his post as Undersecretary of Agriculture, however, the famous professor signed an order that is designed to curb lobbying by former employees of the Department in whose administration he had a hand.

The aim of this order was an obviously worthy one because it was designed to prevent former officials or employees of the Department of Agriculture from using new connections with commercial groups from obtaining information or using influence not of the best sort from a public standpoint. With that order, there can be no quarrel.

I find among astute observers in Washington, however, no serious supposition that the order would operate to deprive Dr. Tugwell himself or any other former official of high standing from access to members of the Department's staff. It just does not work out that way. It never has and it never will, despite the wholesome character of the good professor's plans.

The truth is that while such an order may make lesser officials more cautious and thus put a few obstacles in the way of petty lobbying, it is thoroughly ineffectual in preventing the use of influence or the obtaining of information from that Department or any other in the government.

The difficulty with this situation is that government offices are being used as a stepping stone to more lucrative jobs. The government does not offer ambitious and able men a security of tenure. Men who demonstrate ability in governmental positions sooner or later are offered jobs with great big salary checks attached and they would be less than human if they did not consider such proposition when they know that in the course of human events a great turnover will take place in their own department and they are swept aside by reversal of public political action.

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THE WAY OF SALVATION.

By Rev. J. T. Horger.

ARTICLE NO. 14.

Having traced the salvation of the disciples of Christ for several articles, we left them in a discussion of the benefits of the Holy Ghost upon them. It is a common idea that for one to be baptized with the Spirit, sanctified and live a holy life, necessarily requires many years of persistent effort to attain such an abnormal life. In the first place, such a life is not the abnormal but the normal Christian life. And it is not an ATTAINMENT, through good works, but it is an OBTAINMENT by faith, which God would have us receive early in life. For justification, regeneration and sanctification are the three cardinal principles which should be obtained EARLY in life; without which it is impossible for one to be at their best in the Christian life and work. Therefore, God has ordained that all three of them be obtaind early in the Christian life. Now let's see if I am scriptural in holding that we should be truly sanctified in early life?

Remember, when God sanctifies, it is not consecration, nor dedication; man consecrates or dedicates, but it is GOD who sanctifies by the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire. There is no other means of sanctification. If one has been baptized with the Holy Ghost, they have been sanctified; and if they have not been baptized with the Holy Ghost they have not been sanctified. Note we hold that God wants us sanctified soon after we are born of the Spirit. So we note that the disciples received the baptism of the Spirit not later than three years after they were justified. Next, we turn to Acts, tenth chapter, and find Cornelius and his household received the gift of the Holy Ghost under one sermon from Peter, not later, we presume, than three to seven years from their conversion. You know that according to Scripture, no one can receive the Holy Ghost till after they are born of the Spirit. We presume that Cornelius was not born of the Spirit before John's baptism, which was about seven years before he received the gift of the Holy Ghost. We note that Cornelius and his house received the Holy Ghost as a "second work of Grace", not later than seven years after they were converted.

Then we turn to Acts 19:1-7, where Paul, leaving Aquila and Priscilla at Ephesus, went to Jerusalem and to Antioch, and throughout Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples. And while Paul was thus gone for some time, Apollos came to Ephesus and preached fervently, knowing only the baptism of John; as we understand, knowing only regenerating grace. We believe about nine-tenths of our preachers are in the same fix today; they ought to "GO ON TO PERFECTION"—the baptism of the Holy Ghost. But we had started to say that, evidently, Apollos had some twelve converts at Ephesus and then passed on into Achaia; then Paul returning to Ephesus and finding, as we presumed, those converts of Apollos, he asked them, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" And they said, we have not heard whether there be any Holy Ghost; that is, as their inheritance, to be sought and received. How many Spirit-born Christians of God in our land today can say the same thing! Oh, they have heard that there is a heretical fanaticism about the seeking and receiving the Holy Ghost as a "second blessing", and they have been cautioned to shun such teachings lest they get entangled with fanaticism.

But Paul was not afraid of the "second blessing"; and after instructing them, they believed in the gift of the Spirit and were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus; and when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came upon them and they "spake with tongues and prophesied". Now notice, these disciples received the gift of the Holy Ghost only a few weeks or months after they were converted; so we see that God would have us receive the gift of the Holy Ghost soon after we are born of the Spirit. And we also note that this was over twenty years after the disciples of Christ received their Pentecost; and believers were still receiving the "second blessing", just the same as the first disciples did at Pentecost.

Then we turn to Acts 8:5-25, and find Philip preaching to the Samaritans. Read and note that they were genuinely converted and yet, when the Apostles at Jerusalem heard of it, they sent Peter and John down there that they might receive the Holy Ghost, which was to them the "second work" of grace. And notice: it was only a few weeks at best after they were converted. So we see that this was AFTER the first disciples were sanctified at Pentecost, and also AFTER these Samaritans were converted; and that it occurred NOT LONG AFTER their conversion.

Next we call attention to Acts 9:1-30 where Saul, in the act of persecuting the Church, one or two years after the first disciples were sanctified at Pentecost, started to Damascus to arrest and bring to trial all Christians he might find there, was stricken to the ground by the Lord and there converted and sent to Ananias, that Saul might receive his sight and the Holy Ghost; which he received under the ministry of Ananias just THREE days after his conversion, which made it truly a "second work of Grace". So we learn by the Scriptures cited in this article that the house of Cornelius and the disciples of Ephesus, and the converts under Philip at Samaria, and also Saul, who afterward was called St. Paul, were all baptized with the Holy Ghost AFTER the Holy Ghost descended on the 120 disciples at Pentecost; and that all of them, like the Scriptures require, had been duly converted, justified, regenerated, and thus born of the Spirit BEFORE they received the Holy Ghost; and that they also received the Holy Spirit SOON AFTER they were converted, ranging from three days, on the part of St. Paul, and all the others above mentiond, received the Holy Ghost some years after the first Pentecost, and also some time AFTER they all had been truly converted.

So they were all "second blessing" Holiness people even if some folks do brand them as heretics and fanatics. Now these articles are costing me some study, labor and money, all of which I am none able to meet at the present, but I would freely give ten times more if I could only show our pastors and their members the cause and terror of nine-tenths of all their spiritual deadness and dullness and LACK of spiritual zest and zeal, holy courage and Divine Power. Also the spiritual understanding and holy wisdom necessary to carry on God's work in a successful way, is all couched in the gift of the Holy Ghost, sought and obtained as a "second blessing" preparatory to the best service.

(To be continued.)

RAINFALL IN HONDO.

For the past 38 years Judge H. E. Haass has kept an accurate record of the rainfall at Hondo.

Below we give the figures from the time he began keeping them:

Total rainfall	1899	23.17.
Total rainfall	1900	38.67.
Total rainfall	1901	17.46.
Total rainfall	1902	25.68.
Total rainfall	1903	36.91.
Total rainfall	1904	28.97.
Total rainfall	1905	33.47.
Total rainfall	1906	31.65.
Total rainfall	1907	32.87.
Total rainfall	1908	28.89.
Total rainfall	1909	17.54.
Total rainfall	1910	18.04.
Total rainfall	1911	22.45.
Total rainfall	1912	31.45.
Total rainfall	1913	34.23.
Total rainfall	1914	28.14.
Total rainfall	1915	26.64.
Total rainfall	1916	31.12.
Total rainfall	1917	14.45.
Total rainfall	1918	23.08.
Total rainfall	1919	41.15.
Total rainfall	1920	25.35.
Total rainfall	1921	31.55.
Total rainfall	1922	32.01.
Total rainfall	1923	35.38.
Total rainfall	1924	25.84.
Total rainfall	1925	14.76.
Total rainfall	1926	30.67.
Total rainfall	1927	21.14.
Total rainfall	1928	27.16.
Total rainfall	1929	27.64.
Total rainfall	1930	26.03.
Total rainfall	1931	29.15.
Total rainfall	1932	33.32.
Total rainfall	1933	18.89.
Total rainfall	1934	23.97.
Total rainfall	1935	58.73.
Total rainfall	1936	35.27.

Average past 38 years .. 28.44 plus.

AUNT MOLLIE.

Aunt Mollie told the nicest thing
'S if it wasnt' much to do.
Mother and me thought it was great,
And I'm sure you will, too.

She sorted out some wartime things,
Nice, warm yarn with the rest,
Some of it khaki colored,
The kind us boys like best.
Then she knit pairs of mittens,
A dozen, more or less.
What she did with them mittens
I'll bet you'd never guess.

Each morning she'd give cousin Jim
A pair—some cold days more—
To put in his coat pocket
When he went to his store.

Then he would watch for newsboys—
There was lots of them there—
And when he saw one with bare hands
He'd just give him a pair.
Jim said you'd ought to see them
boys,
Their faces was a scream,
Surprised and glad and puzzled
'Sif they thought it was a dream.

She told it like 'twas something
Most anyone would do.
I think she's great, and I'd have liked
Jim's job, too, wouldn't you?
—GAZELLE STEVENS SHARP.

CORRECT MEASUREMENTS AS A BASIS FOR PERFECT FITTING.

"It certainly pays to take correct measurements to get a perfect fit," said Mrs. A. J. Boog, wardrobe demonstrator of D'Hanis Home Demonstration Club, as she was observing Mrs. Dora Barnes, Clothing Specialist from A. and M. College, check a foundation skirt pattern. These patterns were being cut by Wardrobe Demonstrators from each club in Medina County under Mrs. Barnes' supervision, after which each demonstrator will supervise the memebers of her individual club in doing the same work.

At a meeting in February the County Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Irene Hawkins, will check each garment.

The club members are very glad to be the possessors of a well-fitted foundation garment, from which she may cut any style dress, slip or pajama.

"From the standpoint of harvesting, housing and value of the feed, a trench silo is the most economical way to save a feed crop," says W. W. Steward, Sr., of Freestone county. Steward stored 88 tons of silage from a six-acre crop of red sorghum. The total cost of this feed including breaking of the land, cost of the seed, planting, plowing and harvesting, digging and filling the silos amounted to only $1.30 per ton. This included a charge of $1 per day per head for his mules. All labor was hired.

By planting his field with two rows of corn and one row of cow peas, Mack Rosenau of Waller county has stepped up his corn production by better than five bushels per acre in 10 years. Rosenau uses no fertilizer, depending entirely on the added fertility given the land by planting cow peas on every third row. Under his rotation system, cow peas are planted on each row every three years. The turkey herd on the Rosenau farm eat the cow peas and the vines are left on the land to be plowed under.

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KING'S BOX CANDIES AT ROTHE CONFECTIONERY.

Mr. Willie Windrow of San Antonio visited homefolks here last Friday.

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Mrs. Martin Zimmerman of San Antonio spent Monday and Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bader.

Chester Stiegler came home the first of the week from San Antonio and is ill with the flu at the home of his father, Mr. Louis A. Stiegler.

Mrs. Eugene Bohl was able to leave the Medina Hospital Sunday for her home in Devine after being seriously ill with pneumonia for several weeks.

LOST—12 ewes, branded C-Bar on ribs. Resaonable reward for information as to their whereabouts or for their return. C. J. Wiemers, Hondo, Texas. 1tc.

Clinton Jagge came home Monday from San Antonio and is now recuperating from an attack of the flu at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Haass.

Nathan Booth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Booth of Devine, was brought to the Medina Hosptal on January 19th, very ill with pneumonia. At this time he is much better.

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SUMMARY OF HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK IN MEDINA COUNTY FOR 1936.

By Miss Irene Hawkins.

Since Home Demonstration work is being given in Medina County for the first time, the schedule of work involved is purpose and organization of clubs in Home Demonstration and 4-H Club work.

Six Girls 4-H Clubs have been organized and have selected gardens and interior home improvement for their first Demonstration. There are 113 girls enrolled in these clubs up to December 31st, 1936. The eight Women's Home Demonstration Clubs which have been organized, have chosen the 4-H Pantry Home Food Supply and Wardrobe for their first demonstration work. These suggestions were made by the clubs pursuant to suggestions of the Specialists from the Extension Service. The eight women's clubs consist of 133 members.

The goals accomplished up to December 31, 1936, are as follows:

Bedroom Demonstration: 113 girls have removed unnecessary and unattractive articles from their bedrooms.

Garden Demonstration: 113 girls have made planting plans to be used in planting the leafy, green and yellow vegetable section of their gardens.

Wardrobe Demonstration: 1. 133 women have begun expense accounts and wardrobe planning. 2. Eight demonstrators have been given directions for making foundation patterns by Mrs. Dora R. Barnes, Clothing Specialist from A. and M. College.

Pantry Demonstration: 133 women have made planting plan and canning budget. This plan will be followed in planting the leafy, green and yellow section of the garden, for Cooperators, and all sections of the garden by the Demonstrators.

The Medina County Home Demonstration Council was organized December 5, 1936, with six out of the eight clubs naving presidents and elected delegates present. A committee was appointed to make the standing Home Demonstration Council rules to be adopted at the first Council Meeting in the 1937 Council year. Officers-elect of this Council are:

Chairman—Mrs. Joe Zerr.
Vice-chairman—Mrs. F. C. Stinson.
Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Riley Sittre.

MAKING THE BEST BETTER IN CLOSETS.

"Closets that are not built to the ceiling are catch-alls', said Mrs. A. J. Boog, D'Hanis Wardrobe Demonstrator. "But since we plan to rebuild the front part of our house, I would like to have a portable closet," she continued. However, Mrs. Boog in building her portable closet has decided to slant the top in order to avoid the "Catch-all" characteristics.

The closet she plans will be 6 ft. long, 10 ft. high and 32 inches deep; with shelves 12 inches apart and 18 inches deep, placed in each end of the closet. This is to be built of very light weight material, such as wall board, on a sufficient frame, supported by casters placed as far apart as is necessary to support the framework.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wiede of Lockhart spent the week-end here with Mrs. Wiede's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Gaines.

Miss Alberta Groff, daughter of Mr. Albert Groff of Riomedina, underwent an appendectomy at the Medina Hospital on January 18th. She is rapidly recovering from the ordeal.

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As we go to press a reception is being held Thursday night at the St. John's School, in honor of Rev. P. Potgens, the new pastor of St. John's Church. A brief program and get-together will feature the event, after which refreshments will be served.

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Mr. Tom Allee, salesman for the Alamo Iron Works of San Antonio, suffered a double fracture of his right leg Saturday afternoon when he slipped and fell on a wet sidewalk at D'Hanis. He was brought to the Medina Hospital for medical attention and was removed to a San Antonio hospital two days later.

L. W. Ford of Parker County, after spending some six weeks here as the guest of his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Dawson, and family, during which time he got to "enjoy" much of Hondo's unusually damp weather, returned home just in time to run into a four-inch snow in his home county. We imagine he would have gladly traded for some of our rainy weather.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hondo National Bank last week the following officers were elected: C. W. Gilliam, president; Pete Jungman, vice president; J. H. Burgin, vice president; Charles Finger, cashier; A. H. Schweers, assstant cashier; W. A. Bendele, assistant cashier. The directors are C. W. Gilliam, Pete Jungman, John Finger, John Muennink and E. J. Leinweber. The official statement of the Hondo National Bank, now entering its second year, was published in this paper two issues ago and reveals a good, sound financial condition of the new institution and the experience and efficiency of the men who guide its business affairs.

REDBIRDS DEFEAT WOODLAWN; TO PLAY TONIGHT.

In a razzle-dazzle game which went an extra five minute period to break a tie the Hondo Redbirds defeated the Woodlawn Methodists by a score of 30-24 last Friday at the Fair Grounds gym. Parsons led the scoring for the Redbirds while Crutchfield and Martin were outstanding for the visitors.

Thursday night the Redbirds journeyed to Seguin to play the Lutheran College. At press time the results were not available. The Redbirds hope to bring teams representing Seguin Lutheran College, Schreiner Institute, University of San Antonio, and perhaps Texas A. & I., to Hondo in the near future.

Tonight the Redbirds meet the highly touted Monier Plumbers from San Antonio at the local gym. The Plumbers have two local boys on their team: Roy Schweers and August Finger who were outstanding athletes in Hondo High School.

REPRESENTATIVE MONKHOUSE ON THE JOB.

Austin, Texas.
Jan. 20, 1937.

Mr. W. T. Crow,
Secretary Hondo Chamber of Commerce,
Hondo, Texas.

Dear Bill:

I have your letter of Jan. 15th., in which you quoted a resoulution passed by your organization requesting that no additional advalorem taxes be added this session of the Legislature.

I am absolutely in accord with the sentiments of your organization, and I assure you that I will do my utmost to prevent any additional taxes from this resource.

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Yours very truly,
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W. O. W. MEETING.

Regular meeting of Bois D'Arc Camp No. 154, Hondo, Texas, will be Thursday, January 30th, at 7:30 P. M., 1937. Officers to be installed for 1937. Let's move forward.

H. H. CROW,
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John Finger, Jr., was here from Laredo the first of the week visiting homefolks.

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Mrs. Arnold Newsome of Pearsall spent part of this week with her mother, Mrs. Isaac Wilson.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanders of Pearsall were guests of Mrs. Sanders' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Merritt last week.

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Dr. Walter Meyer of the Robert B. Green Memorial Hospital of San Antonio spent the week-end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Meyer.

Mrs. Clarence Wright and baby daughter, Sue, arrived Sunday from Freer, Texas, for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Neuman.

Jack Bradley was out from San Antonio last week-end visiting Mrs. Bradley and little son, who are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Schweers.

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Clinton Jagge, student of St. Mary's University, San Antonio, spent the week-end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Haass, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Jagge.

The name of Miss Dorothy Clarke was called at the Colonial Theatre Tuesday night for the $250 account. As she was not present to claim the award, the account increased to one $250 and one $20 account.

Consult the advertisements in this paper, then remember that no town is ever built up by trade that goes elsewhere, and patronize those who show their loyalty to their town by being loyal to its enterprises.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Heyen visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Worley in Uvalde Sunday. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Worley, who was Miss Eleanor Heyen before her recent marriage, who spent several days here.

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Dollar sales of Texas depart[...] stores during August showed [...]stantial gains over the correspo[...] month last year and a moderate [...]sonal increase over the prec[...] month, the University of Texas [...]reau of Research announced. Re[...] from 87 representative Texas [...]lishments indicate an increase in [...] of 16.8 per cent over August, 1[...] and 7.6 per cent over July of [...] current year. Sales for the ye[...] date were 16.1 per cent greater [...] for the like period last year. C[...] having gains in sales above the [...] average in comparison both [...] August a year ago and the first [...] months of the year included Abi[...] Corsicana, Dallas, Lubbock and [...] Antonio.

C. C. Gilbert of Hartley co[...] has dug a 300-ton trench silo in [...]der, as he says, to make the mo[...] what feed he has—preventing [...]ing and keeping it in good shape [...] the stock will eat all of it. The [...] is 150 feet long, 17 feet wide an[...] feet deep.

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NOTICE FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORY.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Medina County, Texas, on Monday, February 8, A. D. 1937, at 10 o'clock A. M., in the Court House in the town of Hondo, will receive bids from any bank corporation, association or individual banker, that may desire to act as the depository of the funds of Medina County.

Any banking corporation, association or individual banker in Medina County desiring to bid, shall deliver to the County Judge, on or before the time set forth, a sealed proposal stating the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association or individual banker offers to pay on the funds of the County, computed on daily balances for the term between the date the said bid and the next regular time for the selection of a depository. Said bid shall be accompanied by a certified check of not less than one-half of one per cent of the county revenue of the preceding year as a guaranty of the good faith of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted, he will enter into the bond as provided by law for county depositories, and upon the failure of the banking corporation, association or individual banker in said county that may be selected as such depository, to give the bond required by law, the amount of such certified check shall go to the county as liquidated damages.

The county reserves the right to reject any and all such bids.

Given under my official hand and seal of office this the 12th day of January, 1937. 4tc.

ARTHUR H. ROTHE,
County Judge, Medina County, Texas.

THANKSGIVING TIME.

Golden, juicy pumpkins lying in the field,
Butternuts and apples, Dad says "A good yield",
Turkeys in the barn-yard gobbling yellow corn,
Don't know they are fattening for Thanksgiving morn.

Pastry in the pantry—Ma's pies can't be beat,
Cookies and plum pudding, such good things to eat,
Pickles and sweet cider ready for the gay
Gath'ring of our kinfoks on Thanksgiving Day.

We will take our places 'round the table, then
Grandpa'll ask a blessing, and 'fore you can count ten
We kids will be chewing on nice fat drum-sticks,
Sis will say "you gluttons", but she always kicks.
Ma'll say "hush, be thankful". I am anyway,
For what could be more jolly than Thanksgiving Time?

—ELLIE WILCOX BURT.

MRS. JOHANNA RIFF.

Death came to end the earthly sufferings of Mrs. Dominick Riff, nee Johanna Bohmfalk, at 1 A. M. Sunday, January 17, 1937, at her home in San Antonio. The highly esteemed lady had attained the venerable age of 77 years. Mrs. Riff fell and fractured her hip more than six years ago and since that time had been an invalid confined to a wheelchair; but during all this painful and trying time she never failed in courage or cheerfulness. Last Fall her health began to fail and about two months ago, at the same time when her husband was seriously ill in a San Antonio hospital, she also suffered a serious ailment from which she never fully recovered. About six weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Riff moved from here to San Antonio to make their home.

Funeral services were held at 2 P. M. Tuesday, January 19, from the home of her son, Mr. Robert Riff, at New Fountain. Rev. Walter Froehner of Hilda, Mason County, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. F. W. Radetsky of Art, Texas, Rev. Groce of San Antonio, and Rev. Robert Paine, pastor of the New Fountain Methodist Church. Interment was made in the New Fountain cemetery.

Besides her bereaved husband, Mr. Dominick Riff, the deecased is survived by eight children, namely: Mrs. S. H. Saathoff, Mrs. Emil Jordan, J. Henry Riff, Mrs. W. B. Weber, Robert Riff, Emil Riff, Mrs. Emil Wisakowsky and Mrs. W. R. Glaeser; also 22 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Mary Saathoff; and one brother, George Bohmfalk.

A large number of relatives and friends from Medina and other counties attended the funeral here.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the members of the bereaved family.

COUNTRY THANKSGIVING.

The whirring motors on the turf
Of winding country roads
And laughing children, full of mirth
This gala day forebodes.
For out at Grandpa's house they shout—
Thanksgiving is such fun
When Grandma spread the table out
And feasting is begun.
There's pumpkin pie and savory sauce
Along with turkey roast
And sweet potatoes like a joss
That brings luck to the host.

No other land of all the race
Nor king upon his throne
Can give such thanks with freedom's grace
Where family ties have grown.

—KAY McCULLOUGH.

NOTICE.

The stockholders of the Hondo State Bank of Hondo, Texas, are hereby notified that a meeting of such stockholders will be held in the Hondo National Bank Building, in Hondo, Texas, on the 18th day of March A. D., 1937, to vote upon the proposition of finally closing said Bank and filing a certificate of dissolution thereof as provided by law.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Directors of said Hondo State Bank, this the 12th day of January A. D., 1937. 9tc.

D. H. FLY,
President.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this means of expressing our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the many kind words and deeds on the part of our friends and relatives who helped to ease the burden of long years of invalidism for our beloved wife and mother, the late Mrs. Johanna Riff. We also thank them for the words of consolation to us on her death and for the beautiful floral offerings at the grave.

Yours in sorrow,
DOMINICK RIFF,
And Family.

NOTICE TO RANCHMEN.

Please leave your shooting preserve licenses at the Anvil Herald office as soon as the hunting season is closed so that they may be checked by me.

MELVIN E. WILLIAMS,
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PALS.

At the Colonial Theatre Friday and Saturday.

Gene Autry and "Champion" in the Republic Picture "Guns and Guitars"

By fertilizing his land properly and selling his melons from a roadside stand, Richard Wiess, Jefferson county 4-H club boy, made $197.50 net profit from one acre of watermelons, according to J. E. Combs, county agricultural agent. Richard used 700 pounds of 6-10-7 fertilizer which cost $12.50. The labor cost for planting, cultivating, and harvesting was approximately $20. He sold a number of his melons from a roadside stand at 30 to 50 cents each. The remainder was sold at 10 to 30 cents each to wholesalers who came to the fields for the melons.

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Texas Parents Will Rear Their Children

Every salaried man in Texas has a number and is registered at Washington. This is all right for it is a new Roosevelt regulation aimed for the best.

But do Texas fathers and mothers want their boys and girls "badged" and their home work regulated by inspectors from Washington?

We believe that if the provisions of the so-called "Child Labor" Amendment, soon up for ratification or rejection by the Texas Legislature, are understood by Texas parents they would not be willing to turn over to Governmental agencies the control of their children.

Texas has four times before said "No" to this measure. Our best farmers and businessmen today are those who earned money during spare-time hours and help on the farm while they were in their teens.

Write or wire your Senator at Austin to vote "No" on this measure. Do it today. Texas has a good Child Labor law. Let's enforce the law of our own State and if any of our boys and girls are unreasonably employed, let us correct it and penalize unfair employers.

Let us tell our Texas Senators we don't want to trade our boys and girls for Federal badges, to be policed by outsiders.

Although Texas is the nation's largest beef cattle producing state with approximately 7,222,369 beef animals on the ranges in the state, Texas ships cattle to the corn belt for fattening and slaughtering and imports much of the beef consumed in the state, data compiled by the Texas Planning Board discloses.

Remember you can get FARMING and this paper both for a year each for only $1.75.

NOVEMBER.

His outward beauty is seized and plundered:
Dismantled of Nature's abundant charm . . .
Although he wears a pleading cast-off look—
With dusky, frail-like form, his heart beats warm;
He bears my bouyant dreams beyond the night
Of winter's death-like gloom so sure, and through
November's drab and bleakish, shortened days,
I would be filled with gratefulness . . . anew,
And praise God's name for liberty of life—
Be not forgetful, careless, or disdain
His promises; grave passing shadows come
That we may see the glowing light again . . .
Through life's brief November, this my song shall be:
The ethereal "Land of Beulah", where from
Death the plunderer, all beauty shall be free.

—MARY RUTAN BYERLY.

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Ted Rohrbach, wheat farmer in Deaf Smith county, harvested 2,400 bushels of wheat on 300 acres of a dry land farm, according to C. E. Marcum, county agricultural agent. Rohrbach states that strip cropping, border planting, and contour farming made this harvest possible. Rohrbach planted alternate strips of grain sorghum with wheat and along the borders of the field he planted grain sorghum as a protection against dirt that would blow from the neighboring field. He states that his land has in reality been enriched rather than eroded during the last 12 months.

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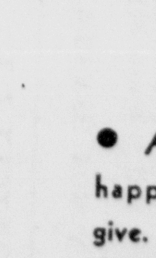

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That 1937 may be a prosperous year for all its friends is the sincere wish of FARMING.

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To a hard-headed son of American freedom, it is hard to understand the English people's toleration of a king, much less their going into hysterics over his choice of female associates.

—oOo—

Start the New Year right by getting right on Farming's subscription list. The figures after your name on the address of your paper shows how your date stands. If your paper stops coming it means you have allowed it to slip into arrears to where you come under the postoffice ban. Don't miss an issue.

—oOo—

Now is the time for planning the crop scheme for your 1937 farming operations. The first purpose in planning crop production is to make the farm as nearly self-sustaining as possible. The nearer a self-sustaining basis can be achieved the more velvet there will be to whatever surplus cash crops may be produced.

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Much is being said and written now-a-days about the farm tenant problem. In this as in all ills, the only right approach is to remove the cause. Remove the cause and you cure the illness. Doctor the symptoms and leave the cause and you make the patient worse and prolong his agony. Instead of the quack remedies proposed, let the Federal government issue its bills of credit in legal tender scrip to worthy risks, taking a mortgage on the land purchased as a basis of security for the circulation and thus place it within the reach of every man who desires to own and live on a small farm to buy one; let the homestead be exempt from all taxation and so make it possible for the home-owner to retain it; place a graduated land tax on all holdings of land above a modest homestead and a graduated production tax on all large scale farming such as is done by large corporations; and knock down the tariff walls and give the farmer freedom of the markets of the world and the tenant problem will be solved. Leave these undone and they who labor for its solution will labor in vain.

—oOo—

It would be well for us all, says the Industrial News Review, on the threshold of the new year, to look abroad at dictator-ridden Europe. In many great countries the free press has been abolished. Free speech has become a crime. All criticism of those in power has been silenced with imprisonment and death. In some countries the right to worship has been abrogated by law, the state has been made Divine, the dictator in power must be regarded as a god, and the individual has been reduced to an actual state of slavery. While we pity the citizens of those nations, and wonder that such things could have come to pass in this century, we can learn an invaluable lesson from their plight. We still live under a Constitution that guarantees us freedom of religion, freedom of speech and freedom of the press. UPON THE PRESERVATION OF THAT CONSTITUTION AND THE LIBERTIES IT GUARANTEES DEPENDS THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. In the pursuit of an economic millenium we must not sacrifice national ideals and principles that are the very lifeblood of democracy.

SHOULD WE FORGET?

One of the saving graces of the American people is their disposition to forget the rancors of a political campaign as soon as the shouting is over.

However salutary this may be, it is well to beware of carrying a good thing too far.

For instance, the late national campaign brought out the fact of an ugly condition that should not be allowed to exist longer than it takes congress to remove it.

We condence herewith from a Washington press dispatch of September 16th past:

After poring over federal statutes, Attorney General Cummings today warned merchants against displaying "politically inspired" placards purporting to show how prices are affected by direct federal taxes.

"Quite a number of protests have been received", Cummings said, "from various parts of the country, including Illinois, Indiana and Iowa. They claim that some merchants have been putting up placards indicating what part of a price is due to federal taxation.

"There also are indications", he said, "that the placards were put out to affect the coming election.

"I sincerely hope that partisan zeal will not lead anyone to violate the federal statutes. It woulld be embarrassing all around and the justice department certainly does not want to be drawn into anything with partisan significance.

"I hope," he continued, "that this warning will have a salutary effect. Good sense ought to prevail."

Cummings' statement was made at a press conference.

He said that section 1123 of the federal statutes, provides a fine of $1000. one year in jail, or both, for anyone convicted of making statements, in connection with the sale of any article, intended to lead persons to believe that any part of the article's price consisted of a federal tax. False statements also were forbidden.

One reporter recalled that gasoline venders and theatre ticket sellers frequently advertised the amount of federal taxes included in the purchase price of gasoline and tickets.

"It is still a matter for conjecture," Cummings said, "how far this could be applied to things like that done by common consent."

Makers of Federal taxing laws should remember that our forefathers rebelled against the mother country out of resentment at being taxed "without representation."

They can well beware what may be the consequences of the graver oppression of being "TAXED WITHOUT THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING INFORMED".

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HOW FARM COOPERATIVES OPERATE.

John Jones is a dairy farmer in a famous dairy state. All the surrounding counties are likewise largely occupied by dairy farmers.

For years John Jones had sold his products for whatever he could get—and his bargaining power was practically non-existent.

Finally, John Jones and a number of other farmers got together. They formed an organization through which the products of all of them would be sold through one central office. They put up their money to get the organization going and to hire a manager.

The result was a vast increase in bargaining power with buyers—and fairer prices.

There, in a few words, is the simple story of how most agricultural selling cooperatives start and operate. There's no mystery about them—they simply represent proven business principles applied to farming.—Industrial News Review.

ANVIL SPARKS

WHO FINDS—

—Satisfaction in a task well done has received his greatest reward!

—Himself never lonely when alone with his own thoughts is his own safe friend!

—Peace in his heart for his fellow man finds peace with his God!

—Consolation in his faith has found his brightest hope!

—The futility of his reasoning has found wisdom!

—Strength to forgive has conquered his own worst enemy!

—Courage to fight on when all seems lost has achieved a victory whatever his losses!

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Who on his Reason most depends
Must oft in darkness grope;
Wiser are they who hope—
Both Hope and Reason serve Life's ends!

* * *

The leader who must be followed blindly is unworthy of leadership.

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Freedom to starve your own way is more to be desired than the bread of a master however generous!

†

Who would be brave, I'm here to tell,
Must ever be discreet as well!

†

Good or evil—no matter which you choose—both demand their price.

A WINTER REVERIE.

Blustering down from the Northland's cold and icy plains,
Where old King Boreas in splendor rules and reigns,
Swept his chill Northwinds in a mighty cavalcade
And before their charge the flowers in death were laid!

And like demons in mad caprice let loose to play,
They howled in doleful glee over the sad display
Of ruin that their sharp and icy swords had spread—
Leaving of my flowers only the mournful dead.

Vainly among the waste and wreckage they had wrought
Some salvage of life among my treasures I sought,
Finding but surcease in Hope of another morn
When their pristine beauty should be again reborn.

So why do I in sadness dirges o'er them sing?
They will be mine again with the return of Spring;
For though their fair forms the icy winds blight and kill,
Life is theirs to bloom again immortal still!

—FLETCHER DAVIS.

CONGRESS SHOULD TAKE HEED.

From competent authority these facts which we have nowhere seen disputed are quoted:

"During the four years' tenure of the past two congresses appropriations have totaled a little less than $32,500,000,000. This amounts to 8 billion dollars more than was appropriated by all the congresses sitting from the time of President Washington (1789) to the time of President Wilson (1913). In the interim between Washington and Wilson, the country became involved in several wars (War of 1812, Civil War, Spanish American War, Mexican War) but the sum of $24,000,000,000 was sufficient to keep the Federal government during the 124 years represented. According to the United States News, the cost of all wars fought in that period was less than the cost of a single New Deal measure—the $4,480,000,000 unemployed relief act."

America is a land of marvelous resources and a strangely complacent people, but the 75th Congress would do well to remember, when considering further expenditures of tax money, that there is a limit to both resources and patience.

Over the speaker's desk should be emblazoned in letters of living fire these words that have been so flagrantly flouted for the past four years:

"If the nation is living within its income, its credit is good. If in some crisis, it lives beyond its income for a year or two it can usually borrow temporarily on reasonable terms. But if, like a spendthrift, it throws discretion to the winds, is willing to make no sacrifice at all in spending, extends its taxing to the limit of the people's power to pay and continues to pile up deficits, it is on the road to bankruptcy."—F. D. Roosevelt, October 19, 1932.

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A VITAL POINT OMITTED.

We have often admired Clarence Ousley's clear thinking and, when not the mouthpiece of some selfish group, his lucid statement of facts and conclusions.

In a discussion of the administration's tenant-farmer-aid plan, as outlined by A. G. Mayse of Paris, Texas, a member of the President's Committee on the problem, Mr. Onsley says:

"Mayse is in accord with others who have studied the problem in the view that both during the period of probationary tenancy and during the entire period of debt-paying the operator shall be REQUIRED to farm according to programs prescribed by the governmental authority in order to insure soil conservation and to provide against the speculative farming to which so many operators are tempted under pressure of occasional high prices for certain crops. A QUESTION ARISES WHETHER MANY TENANTS WILL BE WILLING TO PURCHASE FARMS UNDER SUCH RESTRAINTS OF PERSONAL LIBERTY."

Mr. Ousley omitted to state the more vital question as to whether the economic gain—be it ever so great—can be worth the price of the liberty so bartered—wether the injury to the farmer's morale and self-respect would not far over-balance in moral values his economic benefits.

Furthermore, what is to be thought of a Democratic government changing to a socialistic form to become an absentee landlord on a scale never dreamed of before?

A FARMER'S THOUGHTS.

Time to till the soil, neighbor,
Time to plant the corn;
Work's sure getting piled up
Tho' I'm up each morn
'Fore the sun is out o' bed,
'Fore it's bright and clear.
But I'm mighty glad, aren't you?
To be alive an' here.

Days were when I fished and "swum",
Slid the haystack high;
Barefoot day was happy one—
Miss it! tho' I try
Walkin' in the meadow sweet
When I'm lonesome sad,
Thinking of hay-loft retreat
When I was a lad.

But I guess when years pass by
We should let them go
Without sadness, vain regret—
That I've learned to know.
So I'll work my fields in peace,
Sing a song or two,
Whistle 'neath the budding trees
And watch the sun shine thru.

Then, when life is at an end,
I can smile and think
Of the graceful river bend
Where my cattle drink.
I can visualize the day—
Barefoot, joyful, free—
Hours were endless, always gay—
Grief seemed far from me.

So, we'll till the soil, neighbor,
And we won't complain.
Happy days are busy days,
No grumbling at the rain.
So, I'll lend a helping hand,
Now you've work to do
I can find a little time;
Somehow we'll get thru.

—ESTHER EGER HARRINGTON.

GRAINS OF CORN.

Within my cupped hands I hold living grains of corn,
Hard, unyielding, drab and ugly, to me forlorn.
By common uses they do their part for man, beast,
Furnishing food, comfort for the body, at least.
All these services for progress and advancement
Yield nothing to the soul's peace, joy and contentment.
But living seeds placed within Mother Earth's embrace,
The husks now unfold and a miracle takes place.
A pulsing beat of the life within the kernel,
There springs up to the sun's light something eternal:
Sprigs of new green to whisper in the summer wind;
Reproduce their kind, cycle complete without end.
Within my cupped hands I hold hard, drab grains of corn;
But my heart's faith in immortality reborn.

—ANGIE ANDERSON.

NEW YEAR'S ROSARY.

The New Year comes as a gift that is free
From the hand of The Father Divine;
Each day is a pearl on your Rosary
Which you must count off, as you twine
Its wonderful jewels of sunshine and rain
With the hours of labor and rest;
And the deeds that you do make a welded chain
That must stand The Master's test.

—KAY McCULLOUGH.

THE OLD MAILBOX.

Each day I make a pilgrimage
Down past the hollyhocks,
To where for many years has stood
A battered rusty box.

It seems a long way down the road,
Wish I could climb the fence!
Oh, will there be some word from you?
How thrilling the suspense!

The homeward walk takes twice as long
For we must read the news;
And from the latest catalogue
Perchance a bargain choose.

Though often too it holds the bills,
(Of which there seems no end!)
I can't help feeling our mailbox
Is an old faithful friend.

—GERTRUDE WARTCHOW.

WHEN A PIPE IS LIT.

A man without a pipe is like
A ship without a sail
Because a pipe will lead him through
The roughest kind of gale:
It may go out and be stone cold
But he grips it 'tween his teeth
Like all get-out and works away
Grubbing behind, beneath
The hardest task that's set for man
To do. It is his brother
Designed to be a steady pal
There isn't any other
That's quite so fitting to his moods
So comforting and dear
A man that is a man has always
His good pipe quite near,
He'll fondle it and press it close
Then scratch a match By Gee!
And all the world is peaceful like
When it is lit, you see.

—THE TUMBLEWEED.

SILHOUETTE.

On yon dusk-shadowed hill
A lone pine stands—
Majestically—
Like a sentinel;
Silhoueted against
The burnished glow
Of sunset's sky.
Alas! my tongue is mute.

—SARAH MIZELLE MORGAN.

POETS, TURN TO MASH.

I wrote a poem; wrote it with care,
I sent it here—I sent it there—
To editors o'er land and sea,
But aways it returned to me.

I wrote a check I scarce could read,
Sent to the mill for chicken feed;
And was my poor handwriting spurned?
The answer: Check did NOT return!

Long years ago, beneath an oak,
I lost the poem—blue, and "broke";
But found the check I wrote that day—
For—"Mash", you know, makes chickens lay!

—VERLA G. MAUCK.

OUR PART.

Listen! The bells' decorous chime,
The saddest, sweetest sound and dear!
The night reluctantly holds time,
The last, last moment of the year.

When day-light comes another year,
Who came to us within the night,
Will stand in door-ways far and near,
To greet a world in early light.

Our part will be to welcome him,
The tender, young, and sweet New Year,
And wrap the mummy old year grim,
And keep him always in the rear.

—MALOY BYRNS.

FAITH.

Who can breathe the fragrance, sweet
Of dew-wet bud or flower,
And not feel deep within his heart
Some great transcendent power?

Who can watch a full-orbed moon
Slow-climbing into sight,
And feel within himself afraid
With such celestial light?

Who can look on yonder hills
With fluffy clouds piled high,
And not feel sweet enduring peace,
And faith to satisfy?

—IDA RICE HUMPHREYS.

THE OLD AND NEW YEAR MEET.

The gates of time swing open—
And with gladsome song and shout
We greet the coming New Year,
As the Old Year passes out!
The New Year comes in laden
With fresh hopes for happiness;
The Old Year goes out bearing
Deeds of failure and success.

The New Year comes in bringing
"Opportunities For Right"
Bound together in a volume—
With each page of spotless white;
And, when this year shall have ended,
May we have the right to claim
That, upon its precious pages,
We have placed no marks of shame.

Fond memories are mingled
With the days of the Old Year;
Within its volume many scenes
Of happiness appear;
We cherish them, in reverence,
The while we long to greet
The future, as thru gates of time,
The Old and New Year meet.

—KATHARINE NEAL SMITH.

THE FALL OF SNOW.

Flakes moulded perfect-crystal tears—
Falling joyfully, heedless fears;
Fairies catch the frozen teardrops
Before they land upon the housetops,
Making garlands as they flurry along
On the wings of the wind with merry song:
Flying like white-winged little birds, they rest,
Alighting upon the earth hard and brown,
Banking feathery drift of softest down;
Covering the hillside with shroud of white,
Hanging on pine trees, fleecy blankets light.
Laying in the valley or dale—
Fluffy delicate novice veil—;
Until Apollo draws them to his gay breast.

—ETHEL LOUISE HALSTEAD.

ABOVE THE CLANGOR AND THE GRIME.

The train wound through a labryinth of shops,
Low, dingy, noisy, mean.
The clangor, the monotony, the filth
Enmeshed me like a screen.

I raised my eyes above the grime and din.
Surprised, I saw a row
Of gleaming mountain peaks, silent and calm,
Covered with spotless snow.

—GAZELLE STEVENS SHARP.

OH, DOCTOR!

I know I've got gastritus,
Halitosis and the flu;
Sinus trouble and neuritus
And a bum appendix too.
I should have some tonsil-jerking
For my rheumatism's bad.
It's so hard to think of working
When one feels so very bad.
Acidosis and diabetes,
Psticosis and the itch???
I should get some doctor's treatise
But be blest if I know which.

—SAND DUNE SAGE.

FUGITIVE.

Years are like dreams
That pass with dawn,
How brief Life-span
When youth has gone!

—SARAH MIZELLE MORGAN.

GARDEN TALKS

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of "West Wind", a brochure of poems by Irving Bacon of Morristown, Tennessee. The verses are pleasing in both thought, expression and variety of form.

—ATO—

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WREATH FOR A PLAIN MAN.

The world is just a little emptier
Without the man; yet what on earth he did
Is hard to say. Nothing spectacular
At best; nothing that merited
Place in the sun, as meted out for this:
A routine day's work somewhere which began
At nine, ending in mild domestic bliss.
Such was the small achievement of the man.

He had a dog, two children, and a wife,
Loved gardening, and liked to feed the birds.
This was the little sum of the man's life;
This, and the gift he had for cheery words
That made the bread of his sincere "Good-merrow"
As nourishing as crumbs he gave the sparrow.

EDITH MIRICK in December KALEIDOGRAPH.

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LACOSTE LEDGERETTES.

From The LaCoste Ledger.
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Miss Helen Magnus from below Macdona was a short visitor here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mangold from Noonan were visitors here last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schuchart and children of Cliff were San Antonio visitors Saturday.

Max Biediger from Pearson was a business visitor here last Saturday.

Messrs. Celeste Tondre and Leo Zinsmeyer were visitors here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stein and son, Leroy of Rio Medina were visitors at the home of Oscar Bippert at the Sauz last Sunday.

Joe Steinle of Rio Medina visited with homefolks at Dunlay last week.

Oscar Bippert from the Sauz was a business visitor here last Friday.

Wesley Hutzler from Dunlay was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Katie Reicherzer returned home Tuesday after a short visit with her daughter Mrs. Lonnie Barley at Pearsall.

Mrs. W. A. Reicherzer from San Antonio spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Josephine Biediger here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tschirhart and Joe Tschirhart Sr. from Noonan were LaCoste visitors Monday.

Misses Olga, Cecil and Hattie Droitcourt formerly of Castroville moved into the Droitcourt Estate residence here the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Huegele and Miss Thelma Huegele of San Antonio visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mechler and Vinson Huegele at Lytle Monday evening.

Romanus Gross who took sick Monday was rushed to the Santa Rosa Hospital Tuesday where he underwent a serious operation in the evening. At this writing he was getting along as well as could be expected. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Frank Zeinert from Macdona was a business visitor here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander and Gregor Haby from Safford, Arizona, arrived at the home of Mr. Haby's sister, Mrs. Chas. T. Wurzbach, at the Lomo Alto Ranch on New Year's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander left for their home the following day while Mr. Haby remained for a longer visit.

Frank Scharsch of Castroville was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Keller and Mesdames E. J. Oswald and Branch Keller were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

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From The Castroville Dept.

Otto Wengenroth from Riverside was a visitor here Tuesday.

Albert Tschirhart from Noonan was here on business Thursday.

Henry Boehme from Rio Medina was a visitor here Friday.

Mrs. Adel Koehler and daughters Misses Ethel and Doris were visitors here Monday evening.

Guenther Bippert from Fort Sam Houston spent the week-end here.

Miss Alice Mann attended the funeral of Folkert Muennink at New Fountain Friday.

Prof. W. N. Saathoff spent the week-end with his family in San Antonio.

Mrs. Mary Groff and Mrs. J. T. Young from San Antonio were here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvian Halbardier and baby from Somerset visited with homefolks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Marty from San Antonio spent Sunday at the Harry Hans home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold from LaCoste were Castroville visitors Monday.

Messrs H. J. Bippert and P. J. Tschirhart were San Antonio visitors Sunday.

Little Inez Hans spent the week-end with Mrs. Adella Koenig.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bohl and children were visiting at the B. FitzSimon home here Sunday.

Mrs. Louis Scherrer from San Antonio visited with Mrs. Louis Schott Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Mann and Mrs. Alfred Schott were Hondo visitors Tuesday evening.

Bernard FitzSimon was a business visitor in San Antonio one day the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar de Montel and daughter Betty Jo were business visitors here Monday.

Aelred Ahr spent the past week with his brother, Richard Ahr and family at New Braunfels.

Miss Doris Tschirhart from San Antonio visited with homefolks here Sunday.

Max H. Bippert from the Sauz was a short visitor here Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ahr from New Braunfels were here among relatives Friday.

Howard Tschirhart is confined to bed with serious throat trouble.

Lawrence Fritz, the insurance man, was visiting here on business matters Tuesday.

Mrs. Louis Schott was visiting her daughter Mrs. Herbert Keller and family at LaCoste a few days last week.

Albert Ahr and Mrs. Alois Filleman from El Paso were here for the funeral of their sister Mrs. Louisa Tschirhart.

Mrs. H. J. Bippert is staying at the bedside of Mrs. Ida Bippert at the Santa Rosa Hospital in San Antonio.

Mesdames Chas. Suehs and Emil Biry were guests of Mrs. Alice Beitrever at Hondo Tuesday.

Misses Agnes, Clara and Julia Scherrer from San Antonio are spending the week at their home at the Sauz.

Messrs. Chas. Suehs, Eugene Mangold and Ralph Tschirhart were attending District Court at Hondo Monday.

Mrs. Louis Stein and son, Leroy, from Yellow Banks visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hy. Schott and family Monday.

Mrs. Alfred Schott from Devine is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Halbardier here.

Mrs. Emil Halbardier and Mrs. Alfred Schott spent Tuesday with Mrs. Adella Koenig, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wernette.

Mrs. Bernard FitzSimon and Mrs. John Mangold and daughter, Edna, and granddaughter, were San Antonio visitors Friday.

Messrs. Jesse Applewhite and Tommy Hoog had a pleasant evening Sunday visiting Radio Station KTSA.

Com. Bippert had a crew of men fixing the streets here last week. The reconditioned streets certainly improve the looks of our little city. To add to the beauty of the town a bit of cleaning of the premises would help. The dumping grounds would take care of all the trash, etc.

The home fires were kept busy the past week-end to keep out old man winter. The first real cold weather for the new year struck here Frdiay morning. The mercury dropped all through the day. Though it drizzled most of the time, the temperaure hovered around 32 degrees and below Saturday and Sunday. Everything was covered with ice.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Keller and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schott.

The State Highway Surveyors were here several days surveying the route for a new bridge and Highway. The highway will increase the value of the property and really help to improve the town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brieden were visiting Leonard Roberson and family at Hondo Sunday.

The epidemic of measels is still going on. Many absences were reported in both schools here and in schools in surrounding communities. Many grown people have been victims of this contageous disease.

FROM BANDERA.

From The Bandera New Era.

Oscar Haby of Tarpley was a business visitor here Monday.

Hubert Risinger, Dan Rugh, J. F. Langford and Tucker Thalmann were quail hunting at D'Hanis Monday.

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From Vanderpool.

Mrs. Stuart Haby returnd home Saturday from San Antonio, where she had been with her little daughter, who fell at school and cut a very bad gash in her head.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Haby visited at Riomedina this week with relatives.

E. M. Peters took his little sons, Russell and Dan, back to Hondo where they are attending school.

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DEVINE NEWSLETS.

From The Devine News.

COMMITTEE BEGS COURT CONDEMN RIGHT-OF-WAY.

A special committee from the Devine Chamber of Commerce appeared before the County Commissioner's at Hondo Monday afternoon to urge immediate condemnation proceedings against the few 'holdouts" to complete the right-of-way in the Devine precinct for Highway 173 in order that work may be started on the proposed highway just as soon as the highway commission may provide the necessary funds. The committee, composed of H. D. Tally, W. E. Russell and C. A. Tunnell, called attention to the long delay in procuring the the right-of-way and asked that it be not further delayed.

Mr. Talley, as spokesman, explained to the county board that the property taxpayers of the Devine precinct voted bonds for the purpose of providing right-of-way for highway 173, almost two yars ago and were entitled to immediate action since effort to procure the right-of-way by private agreement had failed. He expressed the belief that if right-of way deeds had been turned over to the highway commission within a reasonable time after the bonds were voted, the proposed road would be under construction. He did not ask for condemnation except in the Devine precinct, pointing out that with deeds to that portion of the right-of-way it may be possible to get contract let on a part of the road.

Commissioner Hardcastle of this precinct believes that everything has been done that can be done to reach an agreement with the property owners and is willing for three disinterested men to view the property and fix the damages, thus eliminating further delay in making the right-of-way available for construction of the road. When a jury of view has been appointed and takes up the matter of condemnation, the property becomes available at once and if the owner is not satisfied with the award of damages he has the right to appeal to the county court, but appeal in no wise interferes with title to the land for road purposes.

If the request of the committee and Commissioner Hardcastle is granted, the right-of-way in that part of the precinct north of Devine may be available within the next 30 days. Then, if it is found that the highway commission has any available funds, there is some hopes of getting a contract let for construction of this short stretch of the road. It is pointed out that one thing is certain and that is without the right-of-way a contract for all or even part of the road will never be let. This road is a secondary road is true, but it is important as a "farm-to-market" road and as a connecting link between two great "across-the-state" highways that will shorten the distance between the great wool-growing country of West Texas and the gulf port at Corpus Christi.

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FROM YANCEY.

Last Monday Supt. A. L. Smith motored to Austin to attend the convention of school superintendents, and reports a good time.

Last week, on Thursday, the sad news came that Mrs. Augusta Bohmfalk had passed away in San Antonio at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Annie Newman. The deceased had been in delicate health for several months. Her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at New Fountain. Mrs. Henry L. Saathoff of this place was also a daughter. We extend our sincerest sympathy.

We are glad that Miss Ina Melton has recovered from her recent illness, that caused her absence from school for a week or more.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lynn have returned from an extended visit with their son Robert and family at Keene. After a short visit with their son O. D. and family they are planning to visit their son Carrol and family at Alamo.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Bohmfalk attended the funerals of their aunt Mrs. Bohmfalk, Thursday, and their uncle, Mr. Folkert Muennink. Both funerals were held at New Fountain.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith and Mrs. H. N. Burgin accompanied the funeral procession of the late Mrs. Augusta Bohmfalk to the New Fountain cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kueck attended the funeral of Mrs. Augusta Bohmfalk.

Mrs. Bernell Ory and little daughter of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Gilson several days last week.

Supt. A. L. Smith and H. H. Lock were in San Antonio last Saturday on educational business.

The ladies met at the H. E. room last Wednesday, where Mrs. Harrison conducted a demonstration of pattern drafting.

Miss Ethel Morrison is enjoying a visit from her sister, Miss Leona of Ladonna.

Mr. Lawler of Corpus Christi called on some of his friends here during last week.

Mrs. George Heiligman and children spent last week with her parents Mr. Willie Faseler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. McAnelly were here on business last Saturday.

Mesdames Coy Berry and Tom Duncan visited Mrs. J. G. Weekly in Pearsall one day last week.

Mrs. Luella Ward and daughter, Edith were Pearsall visitors Monday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Berry and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Berry were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hartmann last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Faseler and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kueck attended the funerals at New Fountain Thursday and Friday.

An aged Mexican died, Juan Sarabia, and was buried in the local cemetery.

There are several cases of the flu in the community.

RIOTOUS PIRATE PICTURE COMING.

A mischievous little girl with a vivid imaginaiton, a lovable old liar and a crochety spinster get into a sea of trouble that makes for much hilarity in the First National comedy drama, "The Captain's Kid", which comes to the Colonial Theatre on Monday and Tuesday. The picture, largely a swift moving frolic of fun, also combines melodramatic thrills, romance and touches of pathos. "The Captain's Kid" is enacted by a talented cast with May Robson, famous for a half century on the stage, in the leading role, that of a crabbed old maid who tries in vain to bring up her two nieces, one seven and the other twenty, according to her straight-laced New Engand standards. But she finds her hands full in the seven year old child star, Sybil Jason, whose imagination makes her yearn to be a pirate. In this she is aided and abetted by a likeable old roustabout in the person of Guy Kibbee, who much prefers a iie to the truth.

THANKSGIVING DINNER.

A Thanksgiving dinner is twice as fair
If, at the table's no vacant chair.

A Thanksgiving dinner is twice as sweet
If, love's in the hearts of those who eat.

A Tranksgiving dinner is twice as good
After a prayer of gratitude.

—LALIA M. THORNTON.

SAN ANTONIO LIVESTOCK.
Monday, Jan. 18, 1937.

(Federal-State Market News Service)

The cattle and calf market at San Antonio Monday was spotted with price levels tending lower on most classes after early rounds. Cows sold weak, spots lower, calves weak to 25c lower, spots more, while bulls ruled about steady as compared with last weeks 'close. Supplies were fairly liberal and consisted of 900 cattle and 1200 calves. Trading was fairly active on most offerings. Comparatively light supplies of steers and fed yearlings sold sharply lower.

The bulk of good grade calves cashed at $6.00 to $6.50 with a few choice creep fed kinds up to $7.00. Medium grades ranged from 5.00 to $6.00 with common kinds down to $4.00 with a few "rannies" to $3.50. Common to medium grade cows sold mostly at $3.75 to $4.75 with a few good fat cows up to $5.75. Low cutter cows sold down to $3.00 with a few shells below. Medium grade steers cashed at $6.00 to $7.00 with a few above and below. Medium to good 764 lb. fed yearlings cashed at $7.75 with 600 lb. offerings at $7.50 and plain grass kinds down to $6.00 and below. A load of yearlings held around $7.00 were unsold late. Weighty bulls were scarce with a few at $5.00 and down. Stocker calves were weak and sold mostly at $5.00 to $5.50.

Hogs, 800 head. The market was active at around 25 to 30 cents higher than last week's close. Packing sows held steady. A top of $9.80 was paid by packers and shippers. The bulk of good to choice 180 to 250 pound butchers cashed at $9.50 to $9.80; 140 to 160 pound offerings, $7.50 to $9.00; 160 to 180 pounds, $9.00 to $9.50; 260 to 300 pounds, $9.50 to $9.80. Packing sows sold mostly at $8.00 to $8.25 with a few to $8.50. Butcher pigs mostly $6.50 to $7.00, few stocker pigs to $6.00.

No sheep or goats were on offer. The market was quotably steady with last sales.

SCATTERED AUTUMN LEAVES.

While yester's multi-colored autumn leaves.
Obeyed the season's call of nature's trees
They sprinkled down from graceful finger tips,
To kiss the tiny seeds on sleeping lips,
And bade good night each silent loamy bed
Till spring a-waked, and crowned with regal head.

They knew full well, the tiny garnered sheaves
Were blanketed, with Scattered Leaves.

—ADDIEBELL S. PORTER.

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Miss Josie Rothe

to whom all items intended for this column should be handed not later than Wednesday noon of each week. Miss Rothe is authorized to collect and receipt for money due this paper.

D'HANIS, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1937

Mrs. Lina Langfeld and daughter, Carrie, and J. B. Langfeld spent last week-end in San Antonio, guests of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reinhart visited Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Reinhart and family in San Antonio Monday.

Mrs. John Gersdorff of San Antonio was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ernest Mueller, last week.

Jerome Zinsmeyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Zinsmeyer, was taken to Medina Hospital Monday. He was threatened with pneumonia, but is recovering at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carle and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carle of San Antonio visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolff of San Antonio spent Sunday here. Mrs. Alvina Koch, who had been their guest, returned with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Yost and little twin daughters, Caroline and Barbara, of Woodsfield, Ohio, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Colvin, at the Woodward Ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ephraim and son, Jesse Paul, Miss Virginia Wallrath, and Jacob Gerald Marks of Sabinal attended the Inaugural Ball in Austin Tuesday evening.

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BANK OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the D'Hanis State Bank held last week, the following were re-elected as directors for the ensuing year: E. Zander, Eric Rothe, Gus Rothe, J. P. Ephraim, and M. M. Koch. The directors then elected the following officers for the year: E. Zander, president; Eric Rothe, vice president, and J. P. Ephraim, cashier.

The official statement of the financial condition of the D'Hanis State Bank which appeared in this paper last week shows the institution to be in a healthy state, due both to the business ability and integrity of those who guide its affairs and to the more prosperous times.

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D'HANIS H. D. CLUB.

The D'Hanis Home Demonstration Cub met at the school auditorium on Friday, January 15, 1937, with the president, Mrs. L. Carle, Jr., presiding.

After reading of the pledge by the members, communications were read by the Secretary, Mrs. A. J. Boog, relating to continuation of appropriation of the Demonstration Club.

The Council delegate, Mrs. A. J. Finger, reported election of officers and adoption of rules for the Council at their meeting at Hondo.

Mrs. E. Brod, the assistant wardrobe demonstrator, reported cutting and making a foundation garment pattern.

After a short parliamentary drill conducted by the secretary, the meeting adjourned.

Reporter.

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D'HANIS PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION MEETS.

The D'Hanis Parent-Teacher Association met Friday night, January 15, with Mrs. I. F. Aten presiding. At the conclusion of an interesting program presented by the F. F. A. boys, Miss Carrie Langfeld spoke on "Efficiency". The Rhythm Band, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. John J. Love, rendered two selections.

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DANCE.

The Senior Class of the D'Hanis High School is sponsoring a dance Friday night, January 29. Buddy Hancock and his orchestra will furnish the music. Price: 15c and 50c.

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F. F. A. NEWS.

Thursday morning, January 14, County Agent C. M. Merritt demonstrated the correct method to be used in killing ants. The following boys, accompanied by Mr. W. P. Norvell, attended the demonstration: Oliver Reinhart, Jr., Ferd Rock, Albert Britz, Homer Nester, Charles Saathoff, Orson Secrist, Jr., Floyd Collins and Lawrence Rudinger.

Friday evening, January 15, the F. F. A. boys presented the following program before the Parent-Teacher Association:

Violin solo—"Allegro Brillante"—Superintendent Herman Couser, accompanied by Miss Josie Rothe.

Talk on "Trench Silos"—Orson Secrist, Jr.

Piano Solo—Miss Marie Crunk, Sabinal.

Talk on "Hide Tanning"—Ferd Rock, Jr.

Harmonica Solo—Lawrence Rudinger.

ANVIL SPARKS.

(Continued from first page.)

coaxed that wherewithal by which we are fed.

This calls for thorough preparation, careful cultivation and frugal garnering of the fruits of that toil.

And in the abundance of the yield lies the security of our bread.

Scarcity favors the fortunate who have when others are without; but the fortunate who have are too few when there are many who are without.

And what with the whims of nature—with its floods or its drouths, its hails or its hot winds—this year's abundance may be wiped out by next year's dearth.

Scarcity always means higher prices—not always for the producer but never without fail for the consumer.

The greater the scarcity the higher the cost of living to those who must buy.

Students of the market trends at the present time are of the opinion that we are entered upon a period of high prices for living necessities.

This gives the farmer a double incentive to enlarge his production within the bounds of economic operation.

First of all, where much of the necessities of life are produced on the farm and are thus acquired at the cost of production, the more of the same the farmer produces the less will he feel the burden of high living costs.

In meeting this desired end both variety and quantity of production are to be given due consideration.

In the second place, the farmer's surplus over his own needs becomes a commercial commodity upon which his cash income depends.

The more his per acre yield the less his per unit cost of production and the wider his margin for profit—barring that rare occurrence when over-production spells ruin.

We say "rare occurrence" for more often a careful scrutiny of all the related circumstances will show that market manipulation or uneconomic distribution is the cause of collapsing markets and the "myth" of overproduction a scape-goat conjured up to hide th real cause.

The wider the variety of products the better security against market uncertainties, for while overproduction of one crop may upset the price of one or market manipulation another, neither is apt to affect a wide variety of all crops.

Even nature's freaks of fickle weather have been known to favor the farmer who diversifies.

So, in making sure of his own livelihood, the farmer makes surest of a profitable surplus for himself, and makes safest his God-ordained mission of feeding the world.

It is seldom we need be afraid of nature's super-abundance.

It is manipulators and profligates and not over-abundance usually that is the farmer's undoing when nature has favored him.

It takes an enormous quantity to feed a hungry world.

And the farmer must feed us all!

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A PROGRESSIVE PLATFORM.

The directors of the National Retail Dry Goods Association have adopted a platform to be submitted at that organization's forthcoming annual convention. It includes points of wide interest:

First, the platform declares that the public interest demands the greatest possible economy in distribution of goods and services—and that legislation which discriminates against any class of retailers should be avoided.

Second, it recommends that adequate state laws be passed looking to the elimination of child labor and the establishment of maximum working hours, minimum wages and other measures necessary to the protection of employes.

Third, it recommends state laws to prohibit false advertising and sale of goods at below-cost prices.

Here is a progressive platform that is indicative of the policies pursued today by all kinds of public-spirited retailers and merchandising groups. No industry is doing more than merchandising to protect the employe as well as the consumer.—Industrial News Review.

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SPARKLETS.

Subterfuge is the favorite instrument of the coward and the crook!

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He is the worst of liars who purposely hides the truth in a babble of words!

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He builds the wisest who builds today sweet memories for tomorrow!

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Putting yourself in another's place has put a stop to many an evil course!

ROAD TO TAX REDUCTION.

There are two principal ways in which the cost of government may be reduced.

One way is by the elimination of unnecessary functions. The other is by cutting overhead costs through combining bureaus, doing away with overlapping of activities, etc. One is as important as the other.

Many authorities have said that it is now time to eliminate some of the current functions of government.

It is likewise advocated that the Congress pass legislation authorizing a survey of bureaus, commissions and other bodies with a view to consolidating them, and lowering personnel and other administrative costs. It is unquestionably true that cutting the red tape that today surrounds so many official activities would make government more efficient as well as less expensive.

This is all in the interest of better government and more economical government. Other units of government—state, county and local—should follow suit. It is just as wasteful to perform an essential function of government inefficiently as it is to put government into fields where it does not belong.—Industrial News Review.

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The present trend of partnership between state and federal administrative agencies is not only undermining the spirit of our constitution which provides a dual system of separate and defined powers but is rapidly transforming the states into useless and unconscionably expensive fifth-wheels in the government machinery. The sooner we get back to where each system functions in its own sphere or else abolish all state governments the sooner will we have economical government. The present tendency is comparable to bobbing the dog's tail inch by inch.

Future of Our Boys And Girls on Trial

There are 45,000,000 boys and girls in the United States under eighteen years of age.

It has long been recognized that it is an American heritage for parents to rear their children without any Governmental supervision as is often the case in some foreign countries.

Do you now wish to relinquish this heritage in favor of a bureaucratic Governmental control?

If the Texas Legislature, which convenes on January 12th, ratifies the Child Labor Amendment, it will in effect mean that you relinquish many of your parental prerogatives in favor of inspectors and bureaus appointed by the Government.

These inspectors will seek to prevent your children under eighteen years of age from doing any work of any nature around the home and the farm.

What would the normal farmer do were it not for the aid of his sons in doing necessary chores around the house and on the farm?

What would the normal farmer's wife do if the daughter under seventeen years of age were prevented by Governmental agencies from assisting with the farm home's household tasks?

If you believe that you, as a parent, should be the one to decide these vital questions, write your Senator today in Austin and ask him to vote against ratification of this so-called Child Labor Amendment.

-:- Castroville Cullings -:-

LOCAL, PERSONAL AND BUSINESS ITEMS FROM THIS BUSY BURG

W. F. NAEGELIN, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE

News and advertising copy for this column for the week's issue should be submitted to Mr. Naegelin or mailed direct to us at Hondo not later than Tuesday night of each week. Mr. Naegelin is authorized to collect and receipt for any business for this paper.

CASTROVILLE, TEXAS, TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1937

Mrs. Gabe Hans, Mrs. Bernard FitzSimon and Mrs. Florence McSwain were Alamo City visitors last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gutzeit of the Alamo City were Castroville visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Mangold and baby spent Sunday at the Schuehle ranch near Hondo.

Celebrating his 66th birthday, Mr. Aug. Etter was honored with a birthday dinner Sunday, January 3, 1937, given by his children. The occasion was also Mr. Gus Schneider's 46th birthday. Dinner and lunch were served consiting of turkey, chicken, salad, pies, cake and beer. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schneider and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Tondre and family, Mr. and Mrs. Armin Schneider and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Bourquin and baby, Mr. and Mrs. August Etter, and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schneider and daughters.

In spite of the inclement weather that prevailed Sunday, a fair sized crowd attended the card and bunco party at the St. Louis Hall. A neat sum was realized which goes into the church and school fund.

Com. H. J. Bippert is reported on the sick list this week.

Chas. Burrell and family were Hondo visitors Friday.

After several weeks of rest the WPA boys resumed work Monday on the bridge at Riverside Inn.

Miss Kate Schmitt, Miss Mary Hoog and brother, Tommy, were San Antonio visitors Wednesday.

Lee Allen Ahr of San Antonio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Ahr, visited his parents here Sunday. Lee Allen is with the United States Medical Department and on the 25th of this month will leave for China where he will be stationed for two years.

Several old age pensioners have received notice that their old age pension is being discontinued. It seems that those most in need are the first ones to be denied their measley allowance. What kind of a government have we anyway?

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Haby of Dunlay were Castroville visitors Thursday.

A drizzling rain is still continuing and has now been in progress for more than a month and farm work is much delayed. Corn planting time will soon be here and a large acreage of land is still unplowed.

John Fisher and sons of the Firs[t] Creek were business visitors her[e] Saturday.

Seb. Mechler of San Antonio [is] spending the week here with hi[s] mother, Mrs. E. A. Mechler.

Ed. W. Tschirhart of Riomedin[a] and Adolph Zinsmeyer of the Sau[s] were business visitors at Yance[y] Sunday.

George Woods and Shorty Turne[r] of the San Antonio Light visited Se[b] Mechler here Sunday.

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CASTROVILLE TO HAVE A NEWSPAPER.

Castroville, after being without [a] newspaper for about 20 years, wi[ll] soon have a paper again.

Information has reached us th[at] plans are under way to establish [a] paper here and accommodation qua[r]ters are being considered. We [do] not know if this is sponsored by t[he] Castroville Chamber of Commerce.

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CASTROVILLE ZION'S LUTHE[R]AN CHURCH.

Announcements:

Sunday, Jan. 24.—Sunday sch[ool] and Bible class at 9:30 A. M. Divi[ne] service at 10:30 A. M.

Wednesday, Jan. 27—Ladies' A[id] meeting, Mrs. Hy. Boehme as hoste[ss].

K. KONZACK, Past[or]

SUMMER LAMENT.

Summer
Why go so soon?
Scarce built your harvest store
When all too soon Autumn's scyt[he]
cuts
It down!

—FLETCHER DAVIS.

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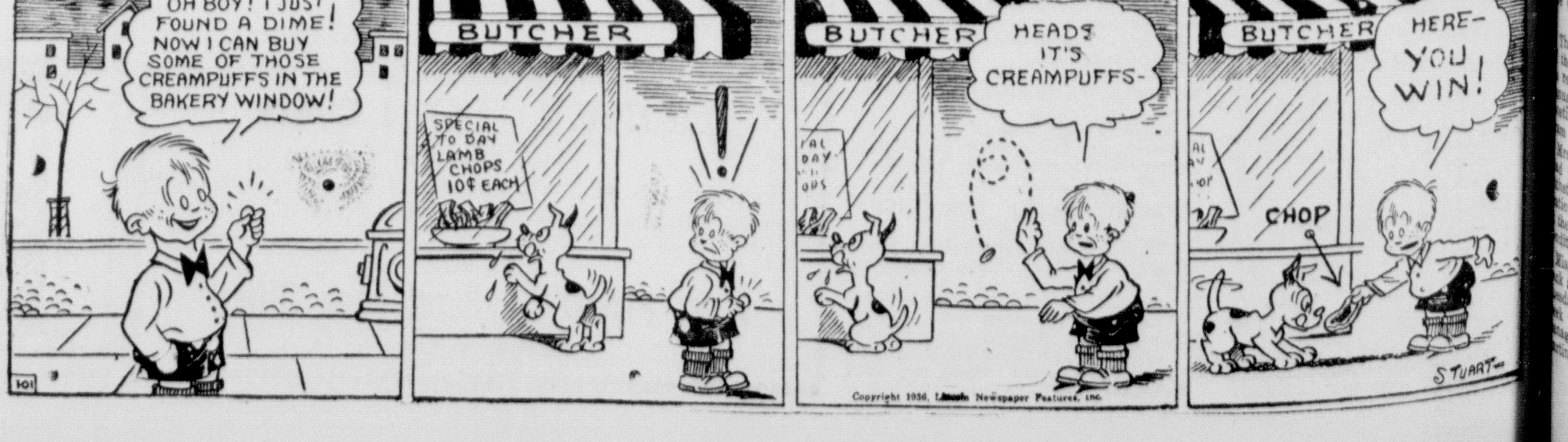
Chevrolet Workers Protest Actions of Labor Leader